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The Forty-Fourth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge will be held in the City of Saskatoon, on Wednesday, the twenty-first day of June, nineteen hundred and fifty.

Proceedings of the
**M. W. Grand Lodge of
Saskatchewan**
Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons

AT THE

**FORTY-THIRD
ANNUAL COMMUNICATION**

HELD AT

Regina on the 15th Day of June, 1949



ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL LODGES AND PRESERVED

WILLIAM HERBERT MOOR

Our newly-installed Grand Master was born at Brantford, Ontario, on June 16, 1877, the youngest child and third son of English parents, Thomas and Ellen Good Moor. Shortly thereafter the family moved to Toronto, where he later attended public schools and Harbord Street Collegiate.

After matriculation in 1895 he went to Chicago, spent four years and a half in the wholesale of Marshall Field & Company; taught school for two years and sold educational supplies through Michigan. He returned to Toronto in 1902, and after further business experience as an accountant, entered Y.M.C.A. work in 1909, serving as Boys' Work Secretary at Saint John, N.B., for two years, at Winnipeg for twelve years, and as General Secretary at Saskatoon for over twenty-one years. He was the first provincial secretary for the Boy Scouts of New Brunswick and was a president of the executive in Winnipeg. He was also active in the promotion of the Tuxis and Trail Ranger programs in the churches.

During the First Great War he was a Y.M.C.A. officer in England, France and Belgium. Since retiring from the Y.M.C.A. in December, 1944, he has been writing for the Saskatoon "Star-Phoenix", and has conducted a weekly nature column.

In 1901 he married Estella Gertrude Dixon of Downers Grove, Illinois. They have three children, a daughter and two sons, and seven grandchildren.

Interested in sport from boyhood he has taken an active part in all the popular sports and still retains his interest in swimming and canoeing.

A life-long Baptist, he is a deacon of the First Baptist Church, Saskatoon, and is a Past President of the Saskatoon Rotary Club.

A son of a Mason, he was initiated, passed, and raised in Ionic Lodge No. 25, G.R.M., Winnipeg and in 1924 affiliated with Saskatchewan Lodge No. 16, Saskatoon, and was W.M. in 1935. He was appointed Director of Ceremonies of Grand Lodge in 1939; was D.D.G.M., District No. 5, in 1942; elected to the Board of General Purposes in 1943; Grand Junior Warden in 1946; Grand Senior Warden in 1947; and Deputy Grand Master in 1948.

M.W. Bro. Moor comes to his high office at a time for which he is peculiarly qualified. His lifelong devotion to and association with "Youth" fits him to give outstanding leadership in the "Freemasonry and Youth" program to which our Grand Lodge is committed. In this field he has no peer. On the success of that great work the future of our Order depends and for his contribution thereto Freemasonry will be ever indebted.



M.W. BRO. WILLIAM HERBERT MOOR
Grand Master, 1949 - 50

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F. & A.M.

PROCEEDINGS: ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Representatives of the Lodges assembled in the Hotel Saskatchewan, in the City of Regina, at 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 15th, 1949.

9.05 a.m. Deputy Grand Master, Grand Officers and Past Grand Masters entered Grand Lodge.

9.15 a.m. The Most Worshipful the Grand Master entered Grand Lodge.

The Brethren joined in singing O' Canada.

FLAG CEREMONY

Bro. Constable E. C. Curtain, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Union Jack and Bro. Sgt. A. H. M. Downey, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Stars and Stripes at the Altar, using the following ceremonies:

"I now present our Flag—the Union Jack—the emblem of Freedom and Democracy.

"As its component crosses were successively combined to symbolize the voluntary unions of free peoples, so may it continue to typify the greater unities of our wider Commonwealth.

"May the red, the colour of the sacrificial blood of the martyrs; the white like the snowy lambskin of Masonry and the blue of the changeless vault of the sky, symbolically depicting COURAGE, PURITY and TRUTH, blend wherever it floats the wide world round to blazon forth a sure pledge of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity for all peoples everywhere. Long may it wave!"

So mote it be.

NATIONAL ANTHEM.

"I now present the Flag of the United States of America—the Stars and Stripes. As its stripes represent the original thirteen states and its stars represent the original thirteen and thirty-five other states which have been added successively to the great Republic, so may it continue to grow in the respect of other nations and in its powerful support of freedom the wide world over.

"The flag which I now present is a Ceremonial Flag, the gift of the Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Montana, and expresses not only their patriotism, but also their regard and affection for the Brethren of Saskatchewan.

"I join with my brother flag-bearer and borrow his words. Wherever the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes float, may they, with one voice, blazon forth a sure pledge of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity for all peoples everywhere. In the unity of that pledge, long may they wave!"

So mote it be.

GOD BLESS AMERICA.

WELCOME FROM GRAND MASTER

Brethren, it is a pleasure to welcome you to this Forty-Third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. This is your annual business meeting and I ask sincerely for your assistance in carrying it out expeditiously and in a business-like way.

OPENING OF GRAND LODGE

A constitutional number of Lodges being represented by their accredited representatives, Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form and the Grand Chaplain implored the blessing of the G.A.O.T.U. upon its deliberations.

THE GRAND MASTER

M.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor

PAST GRAND MASTERS

M.W. Bros. W. B. Tate, R. Young, W. J. Smith, W. M. Martin, J. O. Clarke, C. P. Moore, N. R. Craig, J. R. Yorke, M. Musk, A. O. Brooks, D. Fraser, J. C. Carter, F. C. Hayes, W. L. Clink, Hector Mackay.

Grand Senior Warden	F. Hedley Auld (186)
Grand Junior Warden	R. R. McEwen (69)
Grand Treasurer	W. J. Smith (2)
Grand Secretary	Robt. A. Tate (11)
Grand Registrar	A. S. Pipes (3)
Grand Chaplain	E. H. Knowles (11)
Grand Senior Deacon	W. E. Cutt (63)
Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies	H. W. Nichol (11)
Grand Supt. of Works	W. O. Turnbull (163)
Grand Organist	Alexander Findlay (20)
Grand Pursuivant	H. Hanna (11)
Grand Tyler	R. J. Fleming (11)

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

R.W. Bros. R. McIntosh (1), A. Wilson (3), L. A. Hubbs (4), W. E. Rose (5), P. K. Brown (6), C. C. Cameron (8), H. Shepherd (9), H. Woodward (10), L. E. Trew (11), A. E. Grenkie (13), A. C. Running (14), W. T. Morphy (15), R. D. Barbour (16), M. A. Steele (17).

GRAND STEWARDS: W. H. Tough (148), W. Garvie (60), F. E. Wagar (204), E. A. Friend (75), T. W. Russell (78).

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Alabama—F. T. Fraser	Delaware—G. H. Hummel
Alberta—A. A. Wilson	Denmark—W. M. Martin
Arizona—A. Greaves	England—W. M. Martin
Canada in Ontario—F. C. Wilson	France—F. H. Auld
Chile—F. J. Truran	Illinois—Robt. A. Tate
Connecticut—C. C. Cameron	Indiana—A. Wilson
Cuba—S. R. Stephens	Ireland—W. B. Tate

Kansas—E. H. Knowles	Quebec—W. O. Fraser
Kentucky—Wm. Pedersen	Rhode Island—T. Guest
Maine—H. Mackay	Rio de Janeiro—J. E. Rodney
Manitoba—F. C. Hayes	Scotland—R. Young
Massachusetts—A. E. Miscampbell	South Australia—R. L. Hanbidge
Michigan—C. P. Moore	South Carolina—J. C. Carter
Missouri—J. O. Clarke	South Dakota—A. C. Running
Montana—W. J. Smith	Tennessee—W. H. Moor
Nebraska—M. Musk	Texas—A. G. McLean
Nevada—A. S. Pipes	Vermont—W. L. Clink
New Hampshire—J. N. Hanbidge	Virginia—D. Fraser
New Mexico—T. H. Pendlebury	Washington—A. O. Brooks
North Carolina—A. M. Bell	West Australia—E. C. Bird
North Dakota—J. R. Yorke	West Virginia—R. R. McEwen
Nova Scotia—N. R. Craig	Wisconsin—F. M. Hodson
Ohio—P. K. Brown	

REPRESENTATIVES, CONSTITUENT LODGES AND PAST MASTERS

- No. 1—Kinistino, Prince Albert: R. Young, W. E. Bristowe, R. Wyllie, S. H. Turner.
- No. 2—Wascana, Regina: W. M. Martin, T. G. Thompson, J. F. Lunney, E. S. Weeks, L. C. Moffatt, W. J. Smith, W. A. R. Brunt.
- No. 3—Moose Jaw, Moose Jaw: A. S. Pipes, A. Wilson, T. H. Pendlebury, G. A. Ferguson, W. H. Gusa, J. Gartside, Wm. Probert.
- No. 4—Qu'Appelle Valley, Fort Qu'Appelle: P. E. Cooper, A. H. A. H. Seymour, W. S. Stiff.
- No. 5—Indian Head, Indian Head: J. F. Hunt, L. A. Hubbs, A. Adair, J. R. Conn, W. K. Coulthard, J. Walker, H. McDermaid.
- No. 6—Qu'Appelle, Qu'Appelle: W. B. Tate, F. J. Truran, J. F. Bell, G. Prior, J. G. Prior.
- No. 7—Moosomin, Moosomin: J. W. Tubman, J. W. Stutt.
- No. 8—Ash ar, Whitewood: J. A. Baskie, R. H. Cosgrave.
- No. 9—Maple Leaf, Maple Creek: W. McKinstry, R. Bennett.
- No. 10—Evening Star, Grenfell: G. Keedwell, P. G. McLaren.
- No. 11—North West Mounted Police, Regina: B. G. Stead, W. G. Smith, H. W. Nichol, Robert A. Tate, H. S. Hanna, H. R. Robinson, D. Munroe, T. H. McConica, W. K. Tate, C. F. Gilhespy, H. J. Martin, J. A. Broad.
- No. 12—Yorkton, Yorkton: F. O. Langstaffe, T. R. Luke, D. M. Williams, J. J. Willoughby, W. B. Motion.
- No. 13—Rosthern-Duck Lake, Rosthern: F. M. Hodson.
- No. 14—Sintaluta, Sintaluta: E. E. Mitchell, D. H. Ewart, J. M. Bonnor.
- No. 15—Amity, Carnduff: A. C. Bonnor, R. W. Cinnamon.
- No. 16—Saskatchewan, Saskatoon: W. H. Moor, F. E. Smith-Jones, T. H. Reeves, W. E. Rose, A. G. Lamarsh.
- No. 18—Melfort, Melfort: W. Lonsdale, D. H. Williamson.
- No. 19—Battle, Battleford: W. L. Clink, H. T. Richardson.
- No. 20—Weyburn, Weyburn: P. K. Brown, A. Findlay, W. C. Jeffrey, C. P. Moore, J. Y. Stoba, G. D. Robertson.
- No. 23—Britannia, Lloydminster: G. P. Cummine .
- No. 24—Wolseley, Wolseley: C. G. Marshall.
- No. 25—Estevan, Estevan: W. Hopkins, J. H. Cuddington, J. McLeod.

- No. 26—Swift Current, Swift Current: F. C. Hayes, E. P. M. Anderson.
- No. 27—Alameda, Alameda: G. H. Ward, C. M. Ching, J. O. Ewan.
- No. 29—Heward, Heward: L. Harper, F. W. Mountjoy.
- No. 30—New Hope, Stoughton: C. C. Cameron, C. C. Bowes.
- No. 31—Ionic, North Battleford: A. E. Blower.
- No. 32—Golden Rule, Pense: R. J. Morrison, H. W. R. Atkinson, R. Howard.
- No. 33—Davidson, Davidson: M. Herman.
- No. 34—Lang, Lang: N. H. Penfold, T. W. Barmby.
- No. 35—Prince Rupert, Humboldt: F. C. Bower, H. Diesbourg, J. M. Hanbidge.
- No. 38—Ekapo, Broadview: W. S. Inglis, H. B. Lowe, B. R. Fitzgerald, H. N. Strickland.
- No. 39—Boscurvis, Oxbow: W. O. Fraser, L. H. Bergstrom.
- No. 40—Rouleau, Rouleau: I. J. Adams, W. G. Scott.
- No. 42—Caron, Caron: G. H. Miller.
- No. 43—Ishpaming, Langham: E. S. Humphreys.
- No. 44—Landmark, Lashburn: I. Saunders.
- No. 46—Strasbourg, Strasbourg: J. H. M. Essery, G. Erhardt.
- No. 47—Cupar, Cupar: J. N. Ormiston.
- No. 49—Assiniboia, Regina: D. Fraser, T. L. Elliott, W. G. F. Scythes, G. S. Macdonald, G. B. Morrison, T. Andrew, A. D. Carrothers, J. E. Morton, L. S. McLellan.
- No. 50—Golden Fleece, Halbrite: C. W. Towne.
- No. 51—Touchwood, Punnichy: C. G. Shooter, E. J. Medland, W. G. Latta.
- No. 52—Border, Gainsborough: G. H. Boland, F. W. Dellow.
- No. 53—Nanatah, Balcarres: R. E. Greenfield, A. H. Miles, E. T. A. Williams, Andrew Moffatt.
- No. 54—Buchanan, Buchanan: A. C. Jennings.
- No. 55—Craik, Craik: A. L. Holland, D. P. McRae, E. J. Bisson.
- No. 58—King Solomon, Kamsack: John McEachern.
- No. 59—Canora, Canora: D. Rowlands, P. J. Keller.
- No. 60—Imperial, Saskatoon: W. Garvie, D. C. Disbery, G. S. Pendleton.
- No. 62—Melville, Melville: H. Mackay, R. B. Taylor, H. Woodward, C. W. Morgan, A. Hay.
- No. 63—Prince Albert, Prince Albert: J. L. Connell, W. E. Cutt, F. W. Topping, M. Musk.
- No. 65—Outlook, Outlook: J. C. Carter.
- No. 66—Wynyard, Wynyard: E. G. Brand, J. A. Walker.
- No. 68—Govan, Govan: J. H. Edwards, E. Lakness, J. A. Brown, S. D. Hawkes.
- No. 69—Carrot River, Kinistino: R. R. McEwen.
- No. 70—Cypress, Gull Lake: M. B. Sharpe.
- No. 71—Doric, Moose Jaw: N. R. Craig, S. R. Stephens, H. H. York.
- No. 72—Corinthian, Lumsden: W. H. Kerr, I. Grant, P. R. Taylor, P. D. Allen, R. H. Stinson.
- No. 73—Unity, Unity: J. P. Fawcett.
- No. 74—Kilwinning, Adanac: A. M. Bell, A. N. Imrie.
- No. 75—Harmony, Perdue: E. A. Friend, J. S. W. Russell.
- No. 76—Tisdale, Tisdale: F. M. Glazier, A. M. Fritshaw, D. Hunter, F. T. Fraser, J. Crane, D. L. Lamb, J. W. Down.
- No. 77—Abernethy, Abernethy: A. O. Brooks, J. K. Pomeroy, J. A. Stueck.
- No. 78—Tugaske, Tugaske: T. W. Russell, R. E. Triggs.

- No. 79—Foam Lake, Foam Lake: A. J. Reid, R. McKenzie.
No. 81—Tuscan, Semans: J. N. Smith, E. C. Hollis, J. E. McIntyre.
No. 82—Victoria, Alsask: C. L. Griggs, R. Baker, R. Ellis.
No. 83—Meridian, Macklin: M. H. Kine, F. H. Stephens.
No. 84—Lanigan, Lanigan: F. Coen, A. Katz.
No. 86—Kindersley, Kindersley: G. Murrison, Geo. Howard.
No. 87—Wadena, Wadena: A. Faust, H. E. Hanson.
No. 88—Briercrest, Briercrest: A. C. Burley.
No. 89—Twin City, Sutherland: J. P. Jasper, L. O. Rayner.
No. 90—Kerrobot, Kerrobot: R. L. Hanbidge, C. F. Mawhinney,
L. R. Schlosser, J. E. Rodney, N. Cantor, G. King.
No. 92—Progress, Saskatoon: T. O. Stow, J. H. Wanstall, W. A.
Milne.
No. 94—Maryfield, Maryfield: A. B. Swanson, W. D. McConnick.
No. 96—Yellow Grass, Yellow Grass: H. J. Wilkin, A. D. Knouse,
J. H. Downs.
No. 98—Union, Kelliher: John Anderson.
No. 101—Acacia, Imperial: R. D. Barbour.
No. 103—Composite, Kennedy: W. J. Toppings, W. R. McBurney,
P. M. Henderson.
No. 104—King Hiram, Regina: F. W. Adams, C. Blackham, J. Burns,
M. L. Moyer, Jas. McMurchie, W. Orabko, H. J. Rendall,
C. L. Smith, A. R. Towndrow, R. J. D. Trim, S. Watson,
James Game, J. Wilkie, A. Wilson, H. C. Pope.
No. 105—Gothic, Luseland: T. C. Eyre, W. J. Holton, J. C. Beck,
D. G. Scheidt.
No. 106—St. John's, Assiniboia: G. F. Burgess, L. V. Dow.
No. 107—Mortlach, Mortlach: A. Dunlop, P. H. Rudeen, A. Hansen,
C. V. Rowe.
No. 108—Long Lake, Liberty: M. Woeppel.
No. 110—Shaunavon, Shaunavon: C. E. Bradley, H. Thompson.
No. 111—Aneroid, Aneroid: S. G. Corbin.
No. 112—Woodrow, Woodrow: G. H. Moore, D. B. Hooker.
No. 114—Central Butte, Central Butte: O. E. Logan, C. W. Wilson,
R. Ratcliffe.
No. 115—Landis, Landis: A. E. Grenkie, C. M. Haas.
No. 119—Cabri, Cabri: J. S. Backus, S. J. Leach, R. Johnson, Geo.
Robertson.
No. 120—Ogema, Ogema: LeRoy Bacon, T. D. Richardson.
No. 121—Simpson, Simpson: E. A. Mayo, H. S. Waldie.
No. 122—Azure, Eastend: W. G. Bock.
No. 125—Latomia, Weyburn: A. J. Ring, W. H. Hart, W. H. Benson,
H. A. Brookler.
No. 126—Cadillac, Cadillac: A. Laurie.
No. 127—Birch Hills, Birch Hills: O. A. Saddlemeyer, B. Bowman.
No. 128—Meyronne, Meyronne: T. G. Williams.
No. 129—Mossbank, Mossbank: S. Buffett, T. Balfour, F. R. Kirk-
patrick.
No. 130—Togo, Togo: J. Jira.
No. 131—Dinston, Dinsmore: M. A. Steele.
No. 132—Conquest, Conquest: H. A. Head, C. Henderson.
No. 133—Philathea, Nokomis: G. B. Hamilton, G. H. Hummel, W.
Riach.
No. 134—Eston, Eston: Merlin T. Owens, J. G. Shea, D. Steadward.
No. 136—St. George, Moose Jaw: H. J. Reid, R. Sandercock, A. C.
Woods, A. H. Herd, J. W. Poulton, H. C. Braaten.
No. 137—Tyrian, Edam: Geo. Hood.

- No. 138—Kincaid, Kincaid: A. D. Graham, M. O. Pascoe, T. W. G. Christian.
No. 139—Riverhurst, Riverhurst: A. R. Low.
No. 140—Sceptre, Sceptre: L. E. Trew, O. L. Storey.
No. 142—Leader, Leader: W. F. Linklater, George Cocks.
No. 143—Hawarden, Hawarden: H. T. Kelly.
No. 144—Victory, Saskatoon: A. Greaves, T. Guest, H. D. Elliott, J. W. Welsh, H. R. Cowley, S. G. Lewis.
No. 145—Elfros, Elfros: W. G. White, O. S. Hallgrimson.
No. 146—Asquith, Asquith: E. H. Trickey, A. McMillan, M. Dingwall, Geo. Shiack, F. E. Woodside.
No. 148—Dunblane, Dunblane: W. H. Tough.
No. 150—Wawota, Wawota: H. Shepherd.
No. 151—Viscount, Viscount: W. T. Morphy.
No. 152—Star City, Star City: H. J. Brett, J. M. Lundquist, J. F. Hill.
No. 154—Banner, Regina: H. B. Barrett, A. L. McLean, A. E. Miscampbell, G. W. Clarke, C. R. Cook, L. C. McKinley, N. F. Walker, R. C. Hodsman.
No. 155—Raymore, Raymore: A. G. McLean, C. S. Digney.
No. 156—Avonlea, Avonlea: A. T. Smith.
No. 158—Borden, Borden: N. S. Smith, E. Foster, H. Sutherland, O. Brand.
No. 160—Cut Knife, Cut Knife: W. Perkins, H. Blair.
No. 162—Saltcoats, Saltcoats: H. W. Pickering, G. H. Gunn.
No. 163—Fillmore, Fillmore: F. C. Wilson, W. O. Turnbull, E. Taylor, L. Dodd.
No. 164—Milestone, Milestone: J. R. McKenzie, M. R. VanVelzer, W. Pedersen, Alex. Fages.
No. 168—Earl Grey, Earl Grey: A. Binnie, J. J. Jordin, J. A. MacDonald.
No. 171—Shellbrook, Shellbrook: R. S. Coventry, R. McIntosh.
No. 172—Memorial, Moose Jaw: L. E. Walter, A. Robertson.
No. 174—St. Andrew's, Regina: W. S. Arrowsmith, E. C. Bird, J. O. Clarke, T. A. Cherry, J. E. L. Dickson, J. S. Gisby, T. H. Hewitt, W. E. Simmonds, J. Preston, J. R. Yorke, James Luttman, W. G. Turner.
No. 175—Radville, Radville: R. A. Evans.
No. 176—Gray, Gray: C. B. Lewis.
No. 181—Tuberose, Kyle: I. H. Pittman, E. Christensen, Lenox Draper, Cecil Smith.
No. 182—Lonach, Marsden: J. A. Gordon, J. P. Gordon.
No. 183—Nipawin, Nipawin: G. L. Bigelow, C. S. Allewell.
No. 184—Osage, Osage: J. W. Cooper, L. W. Shirling.
No. 186—Emulation, Regina: F. H. Auld, A. J. Haggett, H. S. McClung, A. H. Diston, Sam Livingstone.
No. 187—Lucky Lake, Lucky Lake—J. A. Malloch.
No. 188—Glenedyth, Climax: J. T. Kingston, J. E. Gryde.
No. 193—Mazenod, Mazenod: J. P. Farmer, E. P. Line.
No. 194—Vanguard, Vanguard: Joseph Bourke.
No. 196—Lacadena, Lacadena: Andrew Lorenzen.
No. 198—Colfax, Colfax: R. Johnston, A. F. Pearce, E. G. Pope.
No. 199—Admiral, Admiral: A. C. Running, A. S. Hedstrom, Wm. Elliott, S. A. Johnston.
No. 202—Rose Valley, Rose Valley: E. Cross, A. L. Curtis, C. W. Roberts.
No. 204—Northern Light, Loon Lake: L. E. Lakeman, F. E. Wagar.
No. 205—Aberdeen, Aberdeen: G. H. Glover, W. H. Pocock.

No. 206—Arborfield, Arborfield: Henry Gilbertson.

No. U.D.—Eatonia, Eatonia: G. A. Prentice, Harrie Humphries.

The Grand Master gave permission for all Master Masons, properly clothed and vouched for, to be admitted as visitors.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate and W. Bro. G. S. Macdonald, it was resolved that: "The minutes of the Forty-Second Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in the City of Saskatoon on June 16th, 1948, as printed in the Proceedings and distributed, be taken as read and confirmed."

On motion of R.W. Bros. Robt. A. Tate and P. K. Brown, it was resolved that: "Printed copies of the regulations for the government of Grand Lodge being in the hands of all representatives, they be taken as read and adopted."

Distinguished Visitors

Bro. Sgt. A. H. M. Downey and Bro. Constable E. C. Curtain were directed by the Grand Master to assume stations at the Altar.

The following distinguished visitors were then escorted into Grand Lodge by W. Bro. H. W. Nichol, Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies:

M.W. Bro. F. A. Copus, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, was presented by M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser.

M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. H. A. Innes, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, were presented by R.W. Bro. R. R. McEwen.

M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Alberta, was presented by M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter.

During the presentation of our distinguished visitors from Sister Canadian Grand Lodges, Bro. Constable E. C. Curtain stood at attention with the Union Jack.

M.W. Bro. F. I. Mills, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Illinois, was presented by R.W. Bro. F. Hedley Auld.

M.W. Bro. Stephen A. Holt, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Montana, was presented by M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay.

M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gill, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of North Dakota, was presented by M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig.

During the presentation of our distinguished visitors from American Grand Lodges, Sgt. A. H. M. Downey stood at attention with the Stars and Stripes.

The Grand Master in welcoming our distinguished guests suggested that the intimate association of one Jurisdiction with another was very important and especially significant when the visitation was of an international character. He stated that M.W. Bro. F. I. Mills would be guest speaker at the Banquet on Wednesday evening and that the other Brethren would be given an opportunity to address Grand Lodge before the sessions closed.

Grand Honours were accorded and the Brethren invited to seats in the Grand East.

Grand Master's Address

The M.W. the Grand Master delivered the following address which, on motion of R.W. Bro. G. H. Hummel and W. Bro. A. E. Blower was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence.

My Brethren:

It gives me pleasure to welcome you to this the Forty-Third Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M. To those who are met with us for the first time I give an especial welcome.

The sands of time run swiftly and it is difficult to realize that twelve months have passed since you accorded me the highest honour within your power to bestow by electing me your Grand Master. When the gavel of this Grand Lodge bearing its governing power was then placed in my hand I stated to the Brethren assembled that I realized to the full the responsibilities of the office of Grand Master. Those responsibilities I have tried to fulfil to the best of my ability and I have acted always in what I considered to be the best interest of the Craft and the Constituent Lodges.

My Brethren, this is your Grand Lodge. Whether we are to have a successful Communication rests with you. On behalf of the Craft throughout this Grand Jurisdiction I bespeak your careful and thoughtful consideration of the matters to come before us and your active participation in our deliberations. Together in a spirit of harmony let us labour for the good of Freemasonry. I trust you will receive from your experience here an inspiration that you will take back to your Lodges, to be reflected in new zeal and enthusiasm for the principles of our great Fraternity throughout the coming year.

DISTRICT MEETINGS.

It was my privilege, in company with the Grand Secretary, to attend the District Meeting in each of the seventeen Districts of the Jurisdiction. The afternoon session was largely devoted to the exemplification of portions of the E.A., F.C. and M.M. Degrees, under the direction of the Grand Secretary, and the evening session to the selection of the District Deputy Grand Master, Masonic Quiz and the addresses of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Master.

These meetings are of first importance. For my own information and that of Grand Lodge, I maintained a record of the attendance at this year's meetings, the average being just over 75. In two or three of the Districts the attendance was to me a little disappointing and, considerably to my surprise, this occurred in Districts where it might have been expected the representation would be above the average. On the other hand, attendance in the remaining Districts was most encouraging and this was particularly noticeable where adverse climatic conditions then existing could quite easily have been a determining factor. I have in mind a District in the southern part of the Jurisdiction which we visited in the early part of the month of July. The day was very hot and stifling, crop prospects were practically hopeless owing to the lack of sufficient moisture for some weeks but despite those conditions the attendance was 90. The fine representation and the keen interest and enthusiasm for Freemasonry of the Brethren of this District were an inspiration for the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary for the remainder of the itinerary.

A further observation from the record kept is that the representation of Past Masters was what might have been expected, while that of Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Junior Officers was much below the ratio desired. The instruction given by the Grand Secretary is designed in the main for the Brethren occupying the chairs and no opportunity should be lost by those Officers to avail themselves of the benefit of that instruction. Then too, I believe every Officer who desires to develop his Masonic point of view, enlarge his Masonic vision and enrich his Masonic enthusiasm cannot deny himself the privilege and benefit of attendance at the District Meeting. I suggest that future District Deputy Grand Masters should, when preparing for District Meetings, stress the desirability, yes—the necessity, of attendance thereof of all Officers of Lodges and also make it generally known that Master Masons are privileged and invited to be present.

I appreciate the efforts of our District Deputy Grand Masters and am indeed grateful for the splendid manner in which they have discharged their duties. Their reports will in due course be submitted to Grand Lodge. I commend to you the reading of these reports and by so doing you will be pretty well informed of the condition of the Craft in our Grand Jurisdiction.

NECROLOGY.

As we meet in Annual Communication we are again reminded of the loss of some of our revered and valued members. Our ranks are once more broken by the passing of these Brethren who are now at rest from their labours, having departed to the Higher Lodge where the Great Architect of the Universe presides.

The Committee on Necrology will in their report pay due respect and tribute to the memories of these Brethren.

Other Grand Jurisdictions have sustained losses in the removal from their midst of many eminent and distinguished Masons and we extend to them our deepest sympathy. We have been officially notified of the deaths of the following distinguished Brethren of Sister Jurisdictions during the past year:

Arkansas—Kay D. McNeely, Past Grand Master.

Arizona—James Henry Barrett, Past Grand Master; James Whetstine, Past Grand Master.

British Columbia—Harry Holgate Watson, Past Grand Master, Grand Treasurer; George Arthur Benjamin Hall, Past Grand Master; William Percyval Marchant, Past Grand Master.

Colorado—John Robert Swinton, Past Grand Master.

Florida—George Thompson Taylor, Past Grand Master.

Ireland—Right Hon. the Earl of Donoughmore, K.P., Grand Master.

Maine—Isaac N. Jones, Past Grand Senior Warden; Fred C. Chalmers, Past Grand Senior Warden; Frank W. Fuller, Past Grand Senior Warden; James Avard Richan, past Grand Junior Warden.

Montana—Claude J. McAllister, Past Grand Master, Grand Historian.

Mississippi—Lucius Layton Conerly, Past Grand Master; James Lafayette Williams, Past Grand Master.

Nevada—Walter J. Harris, Past Grand Master; Walter E. Pratt, Past Grand Master; Charles F. Cutts, Past Grand Master; Rev. Milton Hersey, Past Grand Chaplain.

North Carolina—John Huske Anderson, Past Grand Master, Past Grand Secretary.
 New York—Charles Henry Johnson, Past Grand Master, Past Grand Secretary.
 Oregon—Fred William Hartman, Past Grand Master.
 Pennsylvania—Raymond M. Remick, Grand Senior Warden.
 Rhode Island—William Luther Sweet, Past Grand Master.
 Tennessee—Robert Burrow, Dean of Past Grand Masters; Lindsay Brassfield Phillips, Past Grand Master.
 Texas—Hiram F. Lively, Past Grand Master; Sam B. Cantey, Jr., Past Grand Master.
 Vermont—Dr. W. Scott Nay, Dean of Past Grand Masters.
 Washington—George Lawler, Past Grand Master.
 Wisconsin—Herbert N. Laflin, Past Grand Master; Einar C. Hanson, Past Grand Sword Bearer.
 West Virginia—Lewis N. Tauenner, Dean of Past Grand Masters; Wilson Henry Stout White, Past Grand Master.

“They are only with us in memory,
 They have laid aside the working tools,
 Their work on earth is done,
 By honest toil throughout their lives
 Their wages they have won.
 The hour of twelve has struck on high,
 That called them to their rest;
 No more the cares of earth they'll know,
 They are now forever blessed.”

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Acting upon the recommendations of the Grand Masters of the different Grand Lodges affected I approved of the appointment of:

M.W. Brother J. Kenneth Lyons as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the Grand Lodge of Michigan;

W. Brother W. L. Moseley as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the Grand Lodge of Alabama;

R.W. Brother Harry Grey as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba;

W. Brother A. M. Hutcheson as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the Grand Lodge of Maryland; and the necessary commissions were duly issued by the office of the Grand Secretary.

During the year I nominated for positions of honour the following Brethren:

R.W. Brother Arthur Wilson as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Indiana, near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan;

R.W. Brother J. M. Hanbidge as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan;

R.W. Brother P. K. Brown as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ohio near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan;

R.W. Brother A. C. Running as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan;

R.W. Brother C. C. Cameron as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan; and

R.W. Brother H. A. Cathro as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

DEATH OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

It is with the deepest regret that I record and bring to the attention of Grand Lodge the sudden and tragic passing of R.W. Brother E. E. Johnston, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 2. Brother Johnston, on March 22, 1949, was paying his official visit to N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11, Regina; he had just been introduced at the Altar when he suddenly collapsed and within a few short minutes had passed from earth's labour to eternal rest. Brother Johnston was a quiet, sincere man and a good Mason. His health had not been the best but he conscientiously insisted on performing the duties of his office and had practically completed his visitations to the Lodges of District No. 2. His demise came without warning but the circumstances were perhaps such as he would have desired—to pass to the Grand Lodge above wearing the regalia of his office and while acting in his official Masonic capacity. On your behalf I conveyed appropriate expressions of sympathy and regret to his family.

VISITATIONS IN SASKATCHEWAN.

On July 12, 1948, I Constituted and Consecrated Aberdeen Lodge, No. 205, and was assisted by R.W. Brothers W. H. Moor, Deputy Grand Master, F. Hedley Auld, Grand Senior Warden, Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary, W. E. Rose, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 5, and C. A. Moir and J. C. K. Langford, Past District Deputy Grand Masters.

On July 26, 1948, supported by M.W. Brother M. Musk, P.G.M., and R.W. Brothers R. R. McEwen, Grand Junior Warden, Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary, R. McIntosh, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 1, and other Past Grand Lodge Officers, I Laid the Corner-Stone of the splendid new temple of Nipawin Lodge, No. 183. The Brethren of Nipawin Lodge are to be congratulated on their fine Masonic structure which stands as a monument to the faithful service of the pioneer members and the enthusiasm of the present membership of this progressive Lodge. As a memento of the occasion I was presented with a suitably engraved trowel which I treasure very highly.

On October 15, 1948, I attended, with the R.W. Grand Secretary, the "Annual Roll-Call and International Night" of Woodrow Lodge, No. 112, at Woodrow. Approximately 110 Brethren signed the register, including visitors from Lodges of the State of Montana. This was a very fine gathering and I am hopeful of again attending this annual event.

On October 20, 1948, I was present at a meeting of Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge, No. 4, at Fort Qu'Appelle and had the honour and privilege of presenting regalia to R.W. Brother Thomas Hesketh, Past District Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Lodges of the District.

On October 21, 1948, I attended the 40th Anniversary of Caron Lodge, No. 42, at which there were present 125 Brethren representing 9 Lodges.

On October 26, 1948, I attended the 54th Anniversary and Annual Police Night of N.W.M.P. Lodge, No. 11, and was accompanied by

M.W. Brother W. M. Martin, P.G.M., and R.W. Brother F. Hedley Auld, Grand Senior Warden. There were just over 200 Brethren present.

On November 4, 1948, I drove to Melville to attend the "Freemasonry and Youth Night" of Melville Lodge, No. 62. Despite inclement weather there was an attendance of 80, including 30 young men and boys, and the meeting was a real success. M.W. Brother Mackay kindly introduced me to the guests and Brethren.

On November 5, 1948, I attended the 30th Anniversary of St. George Lodge, No. 136, Moose Jaw, and was accompanied by M.W. Brother N. R. Craig, also R.W. Brothers A. S. Pipes, Grand Registrar, and A. Wilson, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 3. 115 Brethren signed the register.

On November 10, 1948, I attended a "Freemasonry and Youth Night" held jointly by Fillmore Lodge, No. 163, and Osage Lodge, No. 184, and on November 25, 1948, I was present at a "Freemasonry and Youth Night" of Golden Rule Lodge, No. 32, Pense. Both meetings were largely attended and excellent programs were presented for the entertainment of the Youth.

On December 8, 1948, I attended the Installation Ceremony of Wascana Lodge, No. 2; on December 27, the Installation Ceremony of Banner Lodge, No. 154; on December 29, the Installation Ceremony of St. Andrews Lodge, No. 174; on January 5, 1949, the Installation Ceremony of N.W.M.P. Lodge, No. 11, and on January 7, 1949, the Installation Ceremony of Assiniboia Lodge No. 49. I had hoped to include King Hiram Lodge, No. 104, in a similar visitation but was prevented from doing so by a heavy cold.

On March 7, 1949, I attended the 26th Anniversary of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 174, and the 36th Anniversary of King Hiram Lodge, No. 104, on the 7th of April.

In addition to the visitations mentioned, I attended a number of meetings of Lodges in Regina and at outside points and was unable, for good reasons, to accept many other invitations which I considered of equal importance and deserving of attendance.

On August 16, 1948, Arborfield Lodge No. 206, was Constituted and Consecrated by M.W. Brother Hector Mackay, with the assistance of R.W. Brothers F. Hedley Auld, Grand Senior Warden, R. R. McEwen, Grand Junior Warden, Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary, R. McIntosh, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 1, M.W. Brother M. Musk, P.G.M. and other Brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers. Owing to my absence from the jurisdiction at this time I was unable to be present and M. W. Brother Mackay was pleased to honour my commission on this occasion. I am indebted to M.W. Brother Mackay and very appreciative of his kindness, as also those Brethren who assisted him in the ceremony.

VISITATIONS TO OTHER GRAND LODGES.

Being cognizant of the fact that the Grand Master had not for a number of years paid a visit to the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, the Grand Secretary and I so arranged our District Meetings that this was made possible. I had the honour and privilege of attending their Ninety-Third Annual Communication in the City of Toronto on July 21 and 22, 1948. The fellowship enjoyed

with the Brethren of Ontario and distinguished Brethren from other Grand Jurisdictions, of both Canada and United States, was much appreciated and will long remain fresh in the memory of your Grand Master.

The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, M.W. Brother T. H. Simpson is unable to be present with us at this Communication and sent his regrets but it is a particular pleasure to welcome his official representative, M.W. Brother Frank A. Copus, P.G.M. We sincerely hope M.W. Brother Copus' stay with us will be most pleasant and enjoyable.

On August 17 and 18, 1948, I attended the Eighty-Fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana held in the City of Billings, at which time I was highly honoured by being elected an Honourary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana and a member of the Past Grand Masters' Association of that Grand Jurisdiction.

The brethren of Montana left nothing undone to make the visit of your Grand Master a most pleasant one. M.W. Brother Henry O. Morgan, who was present as Deputy Grand Master at our Forty-Second Annual Communication in Saskatoon last year and who endeared himself to so many of our Brethren, was installed as Grand Master. We regret that M.W. Brother Morgan is unable to be here today but he has commissioned M.W. Brother Stephen A. Holt as his representative and we extend to M.W. Brother Holt a most cordial welcome and hope his stay with us will be pleasurable. M.W. Brother Holt is the Immediate Past Grand Master of his Grand Lodge, I recommend him as a genial host and sincere Mason.

On June 1 and 2, and June 8 and 9, the Grand Secretary and I visited the Grand Lodges of Manitoba and Alberta, respectively, and received the customary friendly welcome extended by these Sister Grand Jurisdictions. It is our privilege to have with us here today M.W. Brother H. Coddington, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and M.W. Brother H. B. MacDonald, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta. We extend to these eminent Brethren our warmest and sincerest welcome.

We are usually honoured with the presence of the Grand Secretaries of these two Grand Jurisdictions, M.W. Brother P. T. Pilkey and M.W. Brother George Moore. M.W. Brother Pilkey had a serious illness recently, making his attendance impossible, and we wish for him an early return to good health. M.W. Brother George Moore felt that a vacation immediately after their Grand Lodge was absolutely imperative for his health and for that reason he is not present at this Communication. We regret the enforced absence of these two Brethren.

We are delighted to have M.W. Brother Harry W. Gill, P.G.M., of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota with us. M.W. Brother Gill was commissioned by his Grand Master to represent the latter and the Freemasons of North Dakota at this Communication. Our most cordial welcome is extended to M.W. Brother Gill and we tender through him our warmest fraternal greetings to the Brethren of North Dakota.

An invitation was also extended to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois to be present at this Communication, which invitation was graciously accepted and we are sincerely happy indeed

to have M.W. Brother Fred I. Mills as honoured guest. M.W. Brother Mills attended our Forty-Second Annual Communication last year, we were enriched by his presence then and are equally so again.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE, 1948.

In our Lodges the Christmas spirit finds its finest expression in the efforts that are made by the Brethren to do something tangible to assist those among us who are less fortunate than we are ourselves, the widows, the orphans, and the aged Freemasons, and so bring into their lives a measure of comfort at this time of joy and rejoicing. That the Christmas spirit has pervaded the various Lodges during the year is evident from the complete harmony among the Brethren in all their activities. The enthusiasm displayed in the conduct of lodge affairs and the absence of anything to disturb the goodwill that prevails indicates the sincerity of the Brethren in their desire to cultivate the spirit of Christmas and maintain it throughout the year.

Together with the Grand Secretary I sent out the following Christmas message:

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Christmas—"For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord".—Luke 2, 11.

Christmas is a time of rejoicing—the one time in the year when the spirit of love, goodwill and affection has its greatest opportunity to penetrate into the hearts of men and prompt them to desire the realization of the great Christmas wish, "Peace on Earth and Goodwill towards all men." The time to find expression of this desire by doing what they are able to do to bring a measure of good cheer into the hearts and homes of those with whom they meet and a modicum of material welfare into the lives of those who are in need.

When we give to each other our Christmas presents, let us remember to give them in His name.

Let us remember that He has given us the sun and the moon and the stars, the earth with its forests and mountains and oceans and all that lives and moves upon them.

He has given us all green things and everything that blossoms and bears fruit—and all that we quarrel about and all that we have misused.

And to save us from our own foolishness and from all our sins, He came down to earth and gave Himself.

"The true Christmas spirit begins where all the meanness and vice of humanity leave off; where all bitterness turns to benevolence; where hating changes into loving; where taking becomes giving, and where the Golden Rule is the measure of man."

So may this Christmas season be a re-awakening of the realization of His goodness and may each of us obligate himself as did Charles Dickens when he said, "I will honor Christmas in my heart and try to keep it all the year."

With our fraternal greetings and sincerest good wishes,

ROBERT A. TATE,
Grand Secretary.

FRED C. WILSON,
Grand Master.

FOOD PARCELS FOR BRITAIN

As a result of correspondence, which passed between the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Secretary of our Grand Lodge pertaining to the still existing need of assistance in the form of food parcels for our Masonic Brethren in the Old Land, I was convinced that such assistance was necessary and urgent and will continue to be so for an indefinite period. I considered that some definite action should be taken and on February 8, 1949, I directed that a letter be addressed to and sent to the Worshipful Master, Officers and Members of all Constituent Lodges in the jurisdiction emphasizing the need for action and pointing out I had appointed a "Food Parcels for Britain" Committee. Our Grand Senior Warden, R.W. Brother F. Hedley Auld, kindly consented to act as Chairman of the Committee and the other members thereof are R.W. Brother R. R. McEwen, Grand Junior Warden, and R.W. Brothers C. A. Moir, A. Wilson, P. K. Brown, A. F. McFaul and W. O. Fraser.

The response to my appeal has been very generous and to me gratifying. I sincerely thank all those Brethren who have contributed to this most worthy cause and I ask for your continued kindness and generosity.

The Grand Secretary in his report to Grand Lodge will submit a detailed statement of the standing of the fund.

I take this opportunity of thanking our Grand Senior Warden, R.W. Brother Auld, and his co-members for their ready acquiescence to act on the Committee and for their co-operation and assistance.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

During the past twelve months I have been in almost daily contact with the Grand Secretary's office and am in a position to state positively that the staff there is not sufficiently skilled to accept responsibility for routine work that should not be taken care of by the Grand Secretary and yet under present conditions becomes his personal responsibility.

The work increases rather than diminishes from year to year, my Food Parcels for Britain appeal is only one example, and the Grand Secretary has been further handicapped only recently by the sudden departure of the senior stenographer. If we are to receive the best in service it is increasingly necessary that requisite salaries be paid.

I know from personal observation and contact of the increasing number of requests that are being made on the Grand Secretary for his attendance at, and contribution to, special lodge functions throughout the Province. I am convinced that this work should be encouraged rather than discouraged. I think it is in the interests of Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction and I quite frankly suggest to you that we do not want to limit these activities by making office responsibilities such that they preclude the maximum contribution by way of field-work.

Brethren, the administration of Freemasonry in Saskatchewan is big business, let us treat it as such. I firmly believe that consideration should at once be given to:

(1) the obtaining of a more competent senior stenographer which will entail the payment of a salary in line with what is paid by commercial concerns for like services;

(2) the obtaining of a capable assistant to the Grand Secretary and thus relieve the latter of some of his multifarious duties.

I would recommend that the incoming Grand Master appoint a special committee to study the situation with the Grand Secretary and the Committee on Finance and that such special Committee report at the Forty-Fourth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

CONFERENCE OF WESTERN CANADIAN GRAND LODGES

On September 9, 10 and 11, 1948, I attended the Eighth Annual Conference of Western Canadian Grand Lodges at Banff and was accompanied by M.W. Brother Hector Mackay, R.W. Brothers W. H. Moor, Deputy Grand Master, and F. Hedley Auld, Grand Senior Warden, and Brother George E. Robins, Editor of the Tracing Board. The Conference was honoured by the presence of the M.W. Grand Master from each of the States of Montana and North Dakota and, as in the past, there was a good representation from the four provinces. The Deputy Grand Master will present at this Communication a comprehensive report of the proceedings but it is with justifiable pride that I personally report to you the election of R.W. Brother Auld as President of the Conference for the year 1949.

FIRST CONFERENCE OF ALL-CANADA GRAND LODGES

You will recall that the "Get-Together" meeting of representatives of the Grand Lodges of the Dominion of Canada and the Dominion of Newfoundland took place at Montebello, Quebec, in February, 1947. As a result of that preliminary gathering, the First All-Canada Conference was held in the City of Toronto on February 28 and March 1 and 2, 1949, at which all of the Provinces of the Dominion, including our new Sister Province of Newfoundland, were represented. Your Grand Master was supported by our Grand Secretary and we, in turn, by M.W. Brother C. P. Seeley, P.G.M., who is now residing at Burlington near Toronto.

Time and space restrains me from giving a full account of the proceedings.

There is no doubt as to the great value to Canadian Freemasonry of this meeting of the leaders of the Craft in our several Jurisdictions. Problems of common interest are discussed thoroughly and all have the benefit of the best thought of senior active Officers of our Grand Lodges. Many things can be learned and perhaps adopted with profit to our Grand Lodge. I am satisfied that each meeting, presently set for every other year, will become increasingly valuable, will contribute much to our National and Masonic unity and will promote mutual understanding and closer co-operation among the several Grand Lodges, without in any way interfering with the sovereignty of each Grand Lodge.

DISPENSATIONS

During the year I authorized the issuance of many routine dispensations which will be referred to in the report of the Grand Secretary. Some applications were received and dealt with that would appear to be of more than ordinary concern of this Grand Lodge and I will briefly recite the circumstances and disposition of these.

Evening Star Lodge, No. 10, Grenfell, requested a Dispensation to permit the Lodge to ballot on a rejected applicant without the lapse of twelve months as from the date on which the original application was rejected. I refused to grant the Dispensation.

Preeceville Lodge, No. 167, made application for a Dispensation permitting it to receive and act upon a petition for initiation of an applicant resident within the jurisdiction of Norquay Lodge, No. 178. Norquay Lodge had been holding meetings at very infrequent intervals and apparently was not prepared to deal with a petition from the applicant. Norquay Lodge waived all rights in favour of Preeceville Lodge and I authorized this Dispensation to be issued.

Maryfield Lodge No. 94, disregarded the Constitutional requirement of the lapse of at least twenty-eight days as between degrees in the case of a candidate in the Lodge. I authorized a Dispensation healing the irregularity of conferring the Master Mason degree without the required lapse of twenty-eight days as from the date on which the Fellow Craft degree was conferred.

Davidson Lodge, No. 33, also disregarded the Constitutional regulation requiring a lapse of at least twenty-eight days as between degrees in the case of a candidate in that Lodge and I authorized a Dispensation healing the irregularity.

Moose Jaw Lodge, No. 3, made application for a Dispensation permitting it to hold an emergent meeting in the Community Hall at Fort Qu'Appelle, and subsequently in the auditorium at Fort San, for the purpose of conferring the Master Mason degree. I refused to grant such Dispensation.

Moose Jaw Lodge, No. 3, made application for a Dispensation permitting it to receive and act upon a petition for initiation from an applicant who had a physical disability in that he had no right hand. I authorized the issuing of a Dispensation.

DECISIONS

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba requested Waiver of Jurisdiction over an applicant living at Island Falls in favour of their Flin Flon Lodge, No. 153. I granted the Waiver of Jurisdiction.

Brother Joseph Mael, a suspended member of the now non-existent Blaine Lake Lodge, No. 153, made application for reinstatement and Demit. Brother Mael forwarded an amount of \$20.00 in payment of arrears owing by him at the time he was declared suspended. I declared Brother Mael reinstated and authorized the Grand Secretary's office to issue a Demit in his name.

The District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 13 advised that the regulations with respect to the proficiency of the Master Elect were not being carried out. I instructed the Grand Secretary to suggest to this District Deputy Grand Master that he make definite recommendation in his general report to Grand Lodge with regard to this matter.

Shaunavon Lodge, No. 110, requested clarification of the provision in Section 177 of the Constitution which provides for: "By withdrawal therefrom upon proper notice". I instructed the Grand Secretary to advise Shaunavon Lodge that: "My interpretation of this case is that it can only be dealt with in the manner that our Constitution provides for the issuing of a Demit and if the Brother in question is not in conflict with Section 178 a Demit should be issued forthwith".

Indian Head Lodge, No. 5, adopted a resolution at a regular meeting: "That the Master Elect, Immediate Past Master and three Past Masters be a committee to consider the appointment of Junior Officers of this Lodge". I decided that the motion was in direct

contravention of Section 127 of the Constitution and that it was therefore out of order.

Lodge Progress, No. 92, Saskatoon, advised that at a coming regular meeting of the Lodge it was the intention of some of the members to present the following resolution: "That the suspension of Brother Mark Anderson (deceased) be annulled, and he be restored to all the rights and privileges of the Craft". This matter was submitted to the Committee on Jurisprudence whose findings were as follows:

"Membership in a Lodge is terminated by death (Section 177). If it be argued that the proposed resolution is to deal only with the period preceding death, I can only say that this would seem to be entirely contrary to the whole spirit of our Constitution. Turning now to the by-laws of Lodge Progress, it seems to me that in order to carry out the proposed action the Lodge must have in mind a complete ignoring of its own by-laws, Sections 63 to 67, and when they say in Section 65 that reinstatement after one year can be made only upon a petition therefor, it is clear that they mean a petition by the suspended Brother. I know of no means by which somebody else can make a petition to the Lodge for him for his reinstatement. No doubt this Brother like every other Brother of the Lodge subscribed to its by-laws as required by Section 168 of the Constitution".

Lodge Progress was advised of the findings of the Committee on Jurisprudence and informed that I concurred in those findings.

Kinistino Lodge, No. 1, Prince Albert, requested a decision as to whether it was permissible for a Constituent Lodge to sponsor a Chapter of the Order of DeMolay. I referred this matter to the Committee on Jurisprudence for guidance and an opinion and the Committee through the Chairman has submitted the following:

"The Committee on Jurisprudence has given careful consideration to the Grand Master's request for an opinion. The Committee finds no constitutional provision which will be violated by Kinistino Lodge, No. 1, in sponsoring a DeMolay Chapter".

It is my personal conviction that our Freemasonry and Youth program provides greater scope and greater opportunity for service to the Youth of the community. I am also convinced that our Freemasonry and Youth Program, without the restriction of meetings at regular intervals, without the difficulties that arise as the result of selection of members, without continual problems with respect to financing, can be much more attractive to a larger group of the Youth of the community.

We have endeavoured to build up an activity that would provide the maximum opportunity for service by the individual Mason to the youth of communities, both large and small, and not surrounded by limitations that might become irksome to the Youth or that would only permit the activity being carried on in larger centres.

Riverhurst Lodge, No. 139, requested a ruling with respect to the eligibility of a member for Life Membership whose continuity of membership had been broken as a result of a period of suspension for non-payment of dues. I ruled that the applicant must have twenty-five consecutive years membership in good standing as at the date of application for Life Membership.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND APPRECIATION.

It would indeed be inconsiderate of me did I not pay my respects and undertake to express my deep gratitude and appreciation to those who have rendered such able and ready assistance in the work of Grand Lodge during my term of office. One never privileged to serve as Grand Master can have the faintest conception of the constant loyalty and unselfish devotion of these Brethren. Regardless of the request, it never failed of cheerful and effective compliance. In addition to those to whom I have elsewhere referred, I am much indebted and tender my thanks:

To the Grand Lodge Officers who have laboured on the various Standing Committees of the Board of General Purposes;

To those of my predecessors upon whom I have had occasion to call for advice;

To Brother George E. Robins, the Editor of the Tracing Board, and his staff;

To W. Brother J. E. Campbell and the other members of the Committee on Education;

To R.W. Brother R. R. McEwen, Chairman of the Committee on Freemasonry and Youth, and to the other members of that Committee;

To the Grand Secretary, R.W. Brother Robert A. Tate.

Fairness dictates that I should elaborate on this Grand Lodge Officer. R.W. Brother Tate is an efficient and an able administrator, the records and condition of the Grand Lodge office affirming this statement. It is common knowledge that R.W. Brother Tate is a talented and forceful speaker. I wonder if we realize just how valuable the Grand Secretary is. His sympathy, his advice and kindly assistance have been to me a tower of strength and I offer to him my special thanks and sincere appreciation.

CONCLUSION

The gratitude I have felt throughout the year for the privilege of serving as your Grand Master I now acknowledge. It is not easy for me to express what is in my heart as the year during which you have entrusted me with the highest office in your gift draws to a close. You will in a few short hours have elected and installed my successor in office and the gavel of authority will be in his hand. This, however, does not signify that my interest in Freemasonry will cease. On the contrary, in common with those who have preceded me, acting as Grand Master has but stimulated my interest and desire for Masonic service and I will always be ready to accept any task which may be allotted to me.

At the commencement of the year a Grand Master entertains great hopes and aspirations of accomplishment but I now freely admit that one year is far too short a time to attain any marked degree of success. Immediately after the Grand Lodge Communication, the Grand Master embarks on the heavy work of the District Meetings, very soon thereafter the fall activities of the rural lodges commence and these followed by the many commitments to the urban lodges in the winter months. All give the Grand Master but little opportunity to develop an activity that may be carried into the future. At the end of the year, one is left with a feeling of frustration and incompleteness of service. However, no man can serve as Grand Master without being imbued anew with the spirit which is Masonry.

You have helped me to a new conception of our great Fraternity and its significance. If, in return, I have contributed in any measure to the welfare of the Craft in Saskatchewan I am happy.

I have neither made, nor attempted to make, any drastic change or innovation in the body of Masonry or in Grand Lodge but I have honestly and earnestly endeavoured to perform the duties of Grand Master as well as it was in my power.

“We may do very little well—
And few of us will reach our quest;
But all that we attempt will tell,
If we have done our best”.

My Brethren of Saskatchewan I bring to a close my final message as your Grand Master with these words:

“A thousand thanks to you, my friends, who’ve been so kind
to me,
And may the God of love and peace forever dwell with thee”.

Fraternally,

FRED C. WILSON, Grand Master.

GREETINGS AND REGRETS

Letters and telegrams were read from: M.W. Bros. T. W. Sutherland, C. P. Seeley, J. K. Irwin, S. J. A. Branion, Past Grand Masters; R.W. Bros. W. McDougald, P.D.D.G.M., and W. R. McConnell; M.W. Bros. Sam Harris and F. P. Galbraith, Honourary Past Grand Masters; R.W. Bro. Roscoe C. Clark, Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, conveying greetings and expressing regrets on their inability to be present.

A letter was read from R.W. Bro. C. A. Moir, now living in Winnipeg, Manitoba, tendering his resignation as a member of the Board of General Purposes.

Report of Grand Treasurer

The Grand Treasurer, M.W. Bro. W. J. Smith, submitted the following report, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. W. J. Smith and Douglas Fraser, was received and with the Report of the Auditor referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

I have pleasure in submitting my report as your Treasurer and attach hereto statement of receipts and payments for the year ended 31st March, 1949.

The details of the assistance payments from the Benevolent Fund will be found in the report of the President of the Board of Trustees.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Year Ended 31st March, 1949

GENERAL FUND

Receipts:

Cash on hand 1st April, 1948.....	\$ 100.00	
Cash in bank 1st April, 1948	6,518.78	
		\$ 6,618.78

Dues and fees:

Membership dues	\$ 11,487.20	
Initiation fees	3,264.00	
Affiliation fees	179.00	
Commuted life memberships	1,077.60	
Past masters and other certificates.....	319.00	
		16,326.80

General receipts:

Dispensations	\$ 231.00	
Sale of supplies	1,078.75	
Charters	95.00	
Interest on bonds	1,037.08	
Benevolent fund grant	1,200.00	
		3,641.83

\$26,587.41

Payments:

Salaries and Honoraria

Grand Secretary	\$ 3,900.00	
Grand Treasurer	200.00	
Grand Tyler	15.00	
Stenographer	1,421.18	
Office assistance	1,206.22	
Auditor	250.00	
Committee on foreign correspondence..	200.00	
		7,192.40

Travelling

D.D.G.M.'s	\$ 1,000.10	
Grand Master	800.24	
Grand Secretary	798.76	
Board of General Purposes	928.28	
General	452.84	
Conference of Western Grand Lodges ..	278.85	
		4,259.07

Office rental	1,445.00	
Unemployment insurance	25.20	
Printing proceedings	1,483.60	
Printing minutes of Banff conference.....	25.00	
Stationery and supplies	886.75	
Safety deposit box rental	10.00	
Postage and excise	759.13	
Grand Master's Regalia	276.40	
Superannuation—Grand Secretary	561.60	
Grand Lodge expense	518.74	
Retiring allowance—Honorary Grand Secretary	1,200.00	
Telephone and telegraph	168.64	
Light	32.01	
Flowers	36.07	
Cartage and express	35.67	

Sundry	137.21	
Bonding officers	12.50	
The "Work" purchased	434.70	
Regalia	229.10	
Relief	386.25	
	<u> </u>	\$ 8,663.57
Cash on hand 31st March, 1949	\$ 100.00	
Cash in bank 31st March, 1949	6,372.37	
	<u> </u>	6,472.37
		<u><u>\$ 26,587.41</u></u>

BENEVOLENT FUND

Receipts:

Cash in bank 1st April, 1948	\$ 6,112.29	
Initiation levies	8,160.00	
Per capita tax	5,733.60	
Commuted Life memberships	718.40	
Bank and bond interest	21,455.29	
Lodge contributions	138.95	
Cash received on trade of bonds	734.86	
Bond redemptions	1,573.33	
	<u> </u>	\$ 44,626.72

Payments:

Grant to general fund	\$ 1,200.00	
Grant to Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau	50.00	
Expenses of trustees	64.20	
Bank for custody of bonds	223.01	
Bonds purchased	21,116.33	
Assistance less refunds	17,972.40	
	<u> </u>	40,625.94

Cash in bank 31st March, 1949	\$ 4,000.78
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BRITISH PARCELS FUND

Donations	\$ 305.70
Cash in bank 31st March, 1949	<u>305.70</u>

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Receipts:

Cash in bank 1st April, 1948	\$ 1,277.05	
Interest on bonds and savings	96.30	
	<u> </u>	1,373.35

Payments:

Rosetown Lodge	300.00
Cash in bank 31st March, 1949	\$ 1,073.35

REHABILITATION FUND

Cash in bank 1st April, 1948	\$17,198.00
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Payments:

Fillmore Lodge No. 163	\$ 66.00	
Rosetown Lodge No. 91	901.42	
Transferred to Free Masonry and Youth Account	16,230.58	
	<u> </u>	17,198.00

Balance 31st March, 1949	<u>nil</u>
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FREE MASONRY AND YOUTH

Transferred from Rehabilitation Fund	\$ 16,230.58
Payments:	
Travelling	\$ 245.94
Committee expenses	361.95
	<u>607.89</u>
Balance 31st March, 1949	<u>\$ 15,622.69</u>

TRACING BOARD

Receipts	
Cash in bank 1st April, 1948	\$ 3,942.75
Subscriptions received	2,168.70
	<u>\$ 6,111.45</u>
Payments:	
Printing, wrapping and mailing	2,133.57
Cash in bank 31st March, 1949	<u>\$ 3,977.88</u>

ELWOOD TRUST

Receipts:	
Cash in bank 1st April, 1948	\$ 192.00
Interest on bonds and savings	20.95
	<u>\$ 212.95</u>
Payments:	
Care of grave	32.30
Cash in bank 31st March, 1949	<u>\$ 180.65</u>

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. SMITH,
Grand Treasurer.Audited and found correct
Rooke, Thomas & Co.
Auditors.

Auditor's Report

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.,
REGINA, Saskatchewan.

We have audited the books and records of your Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for the year ended 31st March, 1949, and submit herewith the following schedules and reports:

- Exhibit A—Balance Sheets
- Exhibit B—General Fund—Revenue and Expenditure Account
- Exhibit C—Benevolent Fund, Educational Fund, Elwood Trust, Tracing Board—Revenue and Expenditure Accounts
- Exhibit D—Consolidated surplus account
- Schedule A—Schedule of Investments

We have verified all investments shown on the Balance Sheet, either by examination thereof or by certificate of custody from The Royal Bank of Canada.

We hereby certify that, in our opinion, the Balance Sheets set forth correctly the affairs of the Grand Lodge as at 31st March, 1949, and that the revenue and expenditure accounts show correctly the operations for the year, according to the information and explanations given us and as shown by the books of the Grand Lodge.

ROOKE, THOMAS & CO.

Regina, Saskatchewan,
29th April, 1949.

Chartered Accountants.

Exhibit A—BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH, 1949

GENERAL FUND

Assets

Cash on hand and in bank—General fund ..	\$ 6,472.37	
Tracing Board	3,977.88	
		\$ 10,450.25
Supplies for resale		791.49
Fees and dues in arrears ..		.40
Furniture and fixtures ..	\$ 2,241.00	
Regalia	1,444.10	
		3,685.10
Investment—Schedule A ..	\$ 18,633.20	
Accrued interest	231.00	
		18,864.20
GRAND LODGE OFFICE BUILDING FUND		
Investments—Schedule A ..	\$ 5,000.00	
Accrued interest ..	53.00	
		5,053.00
		<u>\$38,844.44</u>

Liabilities

Niblock trust	\$ 6.10	
TRACING BOARD		
Reserves for unearned subscriptions....	\$ 1,446.40	
Surplus	2,531.48	
		3,977.88
Surplus ..		34,860.46
		<u>\$ 38,844.44</u>

BENEVOLENT FUND

Assets

Cash in bank	\$ 4,000.78	
Investments—Schedule A ..	\$474,367.48	
Accrued interest	5,522.40	
		479,889.88
Dues in arrears		.20
		<u>\$483,890.86</u>

Liabilities

Fees paid in advance	\$ 10.00	
Revenue surplus	\$ 39,071.69	
Capital surplus	444,809.17	
		483,880.86
		<u>\$483,890.86</u>

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Assets	
Cash in bank	\$ 1,073.35
Advances to teachers	250.00
Investment—Schedule A	\$ 1595.00
Accrued interest	3.75
	<u>1,598.75</u>
	<u>\$ 2,922.10</u>
Liabilities	
Surplus	\$ 2,922.10
	<u>\$ 2,922.10</u>

ELWOOD TRUST

Assets	
Cash in bank	\$ 180.65
Investment—Schedule A	\$ 370.25
Accrued interest	8.00
	<u>378.25</u>
	<u>\$ 558.90</u>
Liabilities	
Elwood trust	\$ 558.90
	<u>\$ 558.90</u>

FREE MASONRY AND YOUTH

Assets	
Cash in bank	\$ 15,622.69
Liabilities	
Surplus	\$ 15,622.69

BRITISH PARCELS FUND

Assets	
Cash in bank	\$ 305.70
Liabilities	
British Parcels Fund Trust	\$ 305.70

Exhibit B—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
For the Year Ended 31st March, 1949.

GENERAL FUND

Revenue:	
Dues and fees	\$ 16,327.20
Dispensations and charters	326.00
Interest earned on bonds	1,011.28
Profit on sale of supplies	376.85
Grant from Benevolent Fund	1,200.00
	<u>\$ 19,241.33</u>

Expenditures:

Salaries and honoraria

Grand Secretary	\$ 3,900.00	
Grand Treasurer	200.00	
Grand Tyler	15.00	
Stenographer	1,421.18	
Office assistance	1,206.22	
Committee on foreign correspondence	200.00	
Auditor	250.00	
		\$ 7,192.40

Travelling

D.D.G.M.'s	\$ 1,000.10	
Grand Master	800.24	
Grand Secretary	798.76	
Board of General Purposes..	928.28	
General	452.84	
Conference of Western Grand Lodges	278.85	
		4,259.07

Office rent	\$ 1,560.00	
Unemployment insurance	25.20	
Printing proceedings	1,483.60	
Relief	386.25	
Sundry stationery and supplies.	911.75	
Safety deposit box rental	10.00	
Postage and excise	759.13	
Superannuation—Grand Secretary	561.60	
Grand Master's regalia	276.40	
Grand Lodge expense	518.74	
Telephone and telegraph	168.64	
Light	32.01	
Flowers	36.07	
Cartage and express	35.67	
Sundry	149.71	
		6,914.77

Depreciation—Furniture	229.00	
Regalia	82.00	
		311.00

Retiring allowance Honorary

Grand Secretary	1,200.00	
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19,877.24

Deficit to consolidated surplus
account

\$ 635.91

Exhibit C—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Year Ended 31st March, 1949

BENEVOLENT FUND

Revenue:

Initiation levies	\$ 8,160.00
Per capita tax	6,452.20
Donations	138.95

\$ 14,751.15

Interest earned

20,947.19

\$ 35,698.34

Expenditure:

Assistance less refunds	\$ 17,972.40
Grant to General Fund	1,200.00
Grant to Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau	50.00
Bank for custody of bonds	223.01
Expenses of Board of Trustees	64.20
	<u>\$ 19,509.61</u>
Transferred to revenue surplus	1,437.58
Transferred to capital surplus	14,751.15
	<u>\$ 16,188.73</u>
	<u>\$ 35,698.34</u>

TRACING BOARD

Revenue:

Subscription revenue	<u>\$ 2,168.70</u>
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Expenditure:

Printing wrapping and mailing	\$ 2,133.57
Surplus for the year	35.13
	<u>\$ 2,168.70</u>

ELWOOD TRUST

Revenue:

Interest earned	<u>\$ 20.95</u>
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Expenditures:

Care of grave	\$ 32.30
Deficit for the year	11.65
	<u>\$ 20.95</u>

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Revenue:

Interest earned	<u>\$ 96.30</u>
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Expenditure:

Grant Rosetown Lodge	\$ 300.00
Deficit for the year	203.70
	<u>\$ 96.30</u>

Exhibit D—CONSOLIDATED SURPLUS ACCOUNT

Year Ended 31st March, 1949

Balance 1st April, 1948	\$504,742.97
Net gain—Benevolent Fund—	
Capital—Exhibit C	\$ 14,751.15
Profit sale of bonds	3,940.43
Benevolent Fund—Revenue	1,437.58
Tracing Board—Exhibit C	35.13
—Adjustment prepaid	
subscriptions	127.25
	<u>20,291.54</u>
	<u>\$525,034.51</u>
Net deficit—General Fund	\$ 635.91
Educational Fund	203.70
	<u>839.61</u>
Total surplus 31st March, 1949	<u>\$524,194.90</u>

Schedule A—INVESTMENTS AS AT 31st MARCH, 1949

BENEVOLENT FUND

Province of Saskatchewan Bonds:		Face Value	Book Value
1959	4½ %	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,650.50
1952	5½ %	2,000.00	1,868.00
1955/60	4 %	10,000.00	7,855.10
1949/54	4 %	4,000.00	3,125.00
1953/58	4 %	17,000.00	13,729.76
1962	3½ %	2,500.00	2,454.00
1957	4 %	1,000.00	752.40
1957	4½ %	7,400.00	7,017.60
1954	5 %	51,000.00	46,622.30
1955	4½ %	8,000.00	8,359.40
1963	3 %	9,000.00	8,670.50
1964	3 %	4,000.00	3,880.00
1962	3¾ %	7,000.00	6,855.90
1950	5 % F/L	600.00	607.00
1960	5 %	116,400.00	117,828.60
1963	3¾ %	29,500.00	28,718.75
1958	5 %	28,000.00	23,753.48
1955/60	4 %	16,000.00	12,502.00
1952	6 %	16,000.00	15,559.25
1951	4 %	£582	2,789.91
Dominion of Canada Bonds:			
1960	3 %	7,500.00	7,500.00
1959	3 %	5,500.00	5,504.00
1953/58	3 %	3,000.00	2,970.00
1956/66	3½ %	1,000.00	990.00
1966	3 % Perpetual	5,000.00	4,825.00
	3 % Perpetual	3,000.00	2,651.25
1962	3 %	10,000.00	10,000.00
1966	3 %	10,000.00	10,000.00
1963	3 %	10,000.00	10,000.00
Other			
1951	6½ %	City of Regina	3,000.00
1957	5 %	City of Regina	3,000.00
1959	5 %	City of Regina	5,000.00
1959	4½ %	City of Saskatoon	10,000.00
1959	5 %	City of Saskatoon	1,000.00
1961	5 %	City of Saskatoon	21,000.00
1952	6 %	City of Saskatoon	1,000.00
1975/78	3½ %	City of Saskatoon	12,000.00
1951	6½ %	Regina S.D.	2,000.00
1954/59	3 %	C.N.R.	2,000.00
1962	3 %	G.T.P.	£400
1954	5 %	C.N.R.	40,500.00
1960	3 %	City of Moose Jaw certificates	2,000.00
		£982	\$489,400.00
			\$474,367.48

Schedule A—INVESTMENTS AS AT 31st MARCH, 1949—Continued

GENERAL FUND

Province of Saskatchewan Bonds:

1952	5½ %		\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,195.00
1955/60	4 %		11,500.00	11,586.50
1960	5 %		400.00	447.00
1957	5 %	City of Regina	2,000.00	2,009.00
1962	3 %	Grand Trunk Pacific	£100.00	322.00
			<u>£100</u>	<u>\$ 18,400.00</u>
				<u>\$ 18,559.50</u>

GRAND LODGE OFFICE BUILDING FUND

1958	4 %	Province of Saskatchewan	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,038.70
1957	4½ %	Province of Saskatchewan	1,000.00	1,031.00
1960	4 %	Province of Saskatchewan	1,000.00	1,006.00
1966	3 %	Dominion of Canada	1,000.00	1,000.00
			<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,075.70</u>

EDUCATIONAL FUND

1960	4½ %	Province of Saskatchewan	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,595.00
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ELWOOD TRUST

1960	4 %	Province of Saskatchewan	\$ 500.00	\$ 370.25
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Grand Secretary's Report

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, submitted the following report which, on motion of R.W. Bros. Robt. A. Tate and C. C. Cameron, was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

My annual report as Grand Secretary is presented herewith:

DISTRICT MEETINGS

In conformity with the practice of previous years and in consultation with the Grand Master, I developed a programme and itinerary for the annual District Meetings (see Appendix). The programme provided for afternoon and evening sessions. Your Grand Secretary attended all District Meetings and at the afternoon session, as a member of the Board of Custodians, directed the exemplification of portions of the E.A., F.C. and M.M. Degrees and reviewed the exemplification work of the 1947 District Meetings. At the evening session I delivered an address on "The Entered Apprentice", and directed a Masonic quiz on the E.A., F.C., M.M. Degrees and the Constitution.

In connection with the tour of District Meetings, I assisted the Grand Master in Constituting and Consecrating Aberdeen Lodge No. 205 on July 12, 1948, and in the ceremony of Laying the Corner Stone of the new Masonic Temple of Nipawin Lodge No. 183 on July 26, 1948.

I assisted M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay, Past Grand Master, in the Constituting and Consecrating of Arborfield Lodge No. 206 on August 16, 1948.

PROCEEDINGS, COMMISSIONS, ETC.

Immediately after the close of the forty-second Annual Communication, the Proceedings were compiled and submitted for publication and on delivery from the printers copies were mailed to all Lodges, Officers of the Grand Lodge, Members of the Board of General Purposes, and all Grand Lodges with which we are in fraternal correspondence.

The mimeographing, printing and sending out of lists of Suspensions, Rejections and Restorations; Notice of Motion to amend the Constitution; the notice calling the Forty-third Annual Communication of Grand Lodge; detail with respect to the Grand Master's Food Parcels for Britain Fund; letters of instruction and information with reference to District Meetings, Semi-Annual Returns, Meeting of instruction for D.D.G.M.'s; all received prompt and careful attention.

Commissions to fill vacancies as Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the Grand Lodges of Alabama, Manitoba, Maryland and Michigan were prepared and issued as indicated in the address of the Grand Master.

Charters for Aberdeen Lodge No. 205 and Arborfield Lodge No. 206, Certificates for elected and appointed Grand Lodge Officers, 50-year Membership Certificates, eight hundred and fifty-three (853) Master Mason Certificates, one hundred and thirty-eight (138) Past Masters' Certificates and one hundred and seventy-nine (179) Life Membership Certificates were prepared and issued as required.

The work on our card index system is progressing satisfactorily and is completed insofar as Lodges one to sixty-two are concerned.

One year ago I reported staff reorganization and expressed the confident hope that there would be no further problems resulting from inefficient office assistance. However, my hopes did not materialize and further reorganization has recently been made necessary.

DISPENSATIONS

The following Special Dispensations have been issued by direction of the M.W. the Grand Master:

- To attend Divine Service wearing regalia: 90
- To Elect, Install, or Elect and Install at date other than as set: 35
- To transact all regular business at time other than as set by Bylaw: 12
- To act on petition from without Jurisdiction of Lodge: 4
- To receive and act on petition from applicant not physically perfect: 2
- To confer degrees short of time: 4
- To confer Life Membership without Constitutional requirements: 20
- To heal irregularity of Degrees conferred short of time: 2

To extend six months' period in which initiation to take place: 4
 To hold regular meeting in place other than named in Charter: 1

REGALIA REPLACEMENT

The Grand Director of Ceremonies' regalia and the official regalia for District No. 9 had become completely worn out and were replaced, on authorization from the Committee on Printing and Supplies.

RETURNS

The following is a synopsis compiled from the Semi-Annual Returns for August, 1948, and February, 1949:

Total Membership February 29, 1948	15,467
Membership, February 29, 1948, on whom G.L. dues payable	14,010
Add—Initiated	816
Affiliated	179
Restored	85
Charter Members Lodges U.D.	33
	1,113
Deduct—Demitted	330
Suspended	73
Deaths	196
Commuted Life Members	177
	776
Membership, February 28, 1949, on whom G.L. dues payable	14,347
Commuted Life Members, February 29, 1948 ..	1,457
Added during year	177
Deaths, Commuted Life Members	54
	1,580
Total Membership, February 28, 1949	15,927
Net Gain	460
Total Number of Chartered Lodges	203

TOTAL INITIATES — NET LOSS, NET GAIN

The following table is compiled from the records of Grand Lodge:

	Total Initiates	Net Loss	Net Gain
1929	697	.....	373
1930	603	.....	234
1931	400	.....	24
1932	217	353	.....
1933	198	530	.....
1934	151	490	.....
1935	169	476	.....
1936	193	224	.....
1937	253	169	.....
1938	245	179	.....
1939	265	144	.....
1940	295	124	.....
1941	337	86	.....
1942	315	83	.....
1943	380	.....	55
1944	637	.....	401
1945	961	.....	771
1946	1,028	.....	765
1947	1,093	.....	811
1948	897	.....	590
1949	816	.....	460

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

All fees, dues, etc., owing to Grand Lodge for the year ended March 31st, 1949, have been paid.

The following is a summary of the financial transactions of the office:

Receipts—General Fund	\$19,970.43
Benevolent Fund	\$38,611.93
Add over deposit	3.80
	<u>38,615.73</u>
Educational Fund	96.30
Elwood Trust	20.95
Tracing Board	2,168.70
British Parcels Fund	305.70
Freemasonry and Youth Account	16,230.58
	<u>\$77,408.39</u>
Deposits—General Fund	\$19,970.43
Benevolent Fund	38,615.73
Educational Fund	96.30
Elwood Trust	20.95
Tracing Board	2,168.70
British Parcels Fund	305.70
Freemasonry and Youth Account	16,230.58
	<u>\$77,408.39</u>

The Benevolent Fund receipts listed above include the following voluntary contributions: R.W. Bro. D. M. McIntosh, \$64.00; Britannia Lodge No. 23, \$25.15; Macrorie Lodge No. 191, \$45.00; V.W. Bro. M. H. Kine, \$4.80.

FREEMASONRY AND YOUTH

The following resolution was adopted at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in June, 1945: "Subject to the provision for use of the fund or any part, should occasion arise, for its original purpose, that this Grand Lodge approves of the foregoing suggestion and directs that this fund be held by Grand Lodge and used for cases of rehabilitation, on the direction of the Lodge contributing, such direction being to the extent of its contribution, and that if such funds are not exhausted within the three years next ensuing, then the balance be applied for the general purposes of the Grand Lodge Committee on Freemasonry and Youth." In accordance with the provisions of the above resolution the amount of \$16,230.58 standing to the credit of the Rehabilitation Fund was transferred to a Freemasonry and Youth Account on June 23, 1948.

FIFTY YEAR GOLD BUTTONS

The required proof of fifty years' Membership having been filed with the office, Buttons were issued to and Fifty Year Certificates prepared for Lodges as indicated herewith:

To Kinistino Lodge No. 1 for presentation to Brothers A. Holmes, F. W. Wright and A. A. B. Sproat.

- To Wascana Lodge No. 2 for presentation to W. Brother J. M. Smith.
- To Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3 for presentation to Brother R. L. Slater.
- To Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge No. 4 for presentation to W. Brother J. Macdonald.
- To Moosomin Lodge No. 7 for presentation to W. Brother Kenneth A. Price.
- To Abernethy Lodge No. 77 for presentation to W. Brother Stephen Henry Garratt.
- To Meridian Lodge No. 83 for presentation to W. Brother John Ivor.

THE TRACING BOARD

The assembling of the material, proof-reading, supervision of distribution and general administrative work pertaining to the publication of The Tracing Board, received prompt and careful attention.

CHARTER ROSTHERN LODGE

Pursuant to the resolution adopted at the forty-second Annual Communication of Grand Lodge the charter of Rosthern Lodge was endorsed and returned to the amalgamated Rosthern Duck Lake Lodge.

GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS

Honouring the commission of our Grand Master, I attended the one hundred and ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois at Chicago on October 12th and 13th, 1948. The friendly fraternal atmosphere everywhere in evidence, the dispatch with which the business of this large Grand Lodge was conducted and the opportunity of meeting and mingling with senior Grand Lodge officers from twenty-four sister Grand Jurisdictions was a delightful and educational experience.

VISITATIONS

During the year the following Lodge Meetings were attended by your Grand Secretary officially:

On June 25, 1948, an Emergent Meeting of Swift Current Lodge No. 26 at which Lieutenant W. P. Hayes, Royal Canadian Navy, received his M.M. Degree. His father, M.W. Bro. Fred C. Hayes, and your Grand Secretary participated in the Ceremonies.

On October 1st, 1948, the first "Youth Night" of King Solomon Lodge No. 58 and Togo Lodge No. 130 at Kamsack. Twenty-seven young men were present. Subject of address—"Canadian Citizenship".

On October 15th, 1948, the Annual Roll Call and International Meeting of Woodrow Lodge No. 112. Six Brethren representing three United States Lodges, thirteen Brethren representing nine visiting Lodges outside District No. 14 and eighty-one Brethren representing ten Lodges in District No. 14 were present. Your Grand Secretary

as guest speaker delivered an address on "Our Individual Masonic Responsibilities".

On October 27th, 1948, the Annual "Dads and Lads Night" of Melfort Lodge No. 18. One hundred and forty members and guests were present. As speaker of the evening your Grand Secretary delivered an address on "Democratic Responsibilities".

On November 3rd, 1948, the Annual Youth Night of Foam Lake Lodge No. 79. There were ninety members and guests present. The subject of your Grand Secretary's address was "Canada and Its Youth Today".

On November 4th, 1948, the Annual Youth Night of Acacia Lodge No. 101, Imperial, when nineteen youths from the district were guests of the Lodge. Your Grand Secretary delivered an address directed primarily to the young men.

On November 5th, 1948, the Annual Youth Night of Rosetown Lodge No. 91. Thirty young men were present. Your Grand Secretary, as guest speaker, delivered an address on "Our Canadian Heritage".

On March 7th, 1949, the twenty-sixth Anniversary of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 174, Regina.

On March 9th, 1949, the sixty-sixth Anniversary of Wascana Lodge No. 2, Regina.

On March 18th, 1949, the second Annual Youth Night of Eston Lodge No. 134. There were one hundred and sixty members and guests present. As speaker of the evening your Grand Secretary delivered an address on "Canada and Freemasonry".

On May 13th, 1949, a Youth Night sponsored by Shellbrook Lodge No. 171. Your Grand Secretary as guest speaker delivered an address on "Democracy and Freemasonry".

On May 20th, 1949, the Annual Youth Night of Davidson Lodge No. 33. Your Grand Secretary delivered an address on "Democratic Responsibilities of Canadian Youth".

On May 23rd, 1949, a Special Meeting of Norquay Lodge No. 178 for the purpose of endeavouring to solve the problems confronting the future of this Lodge.

In addition to the foregoing I attended a large number of meetings in Regina and at outside points. This phase of my work is becoming more arduous year by year but I am convinced that it is a service that our Lodges appreciate and find of value. As a result of the very heavy work in the Grand Lodge Office, I was unable to accept invitations to numerous meetings equally as important and deserving of attendance as those above listed.

FOOD PARCELS FOR BRITAIN FUND

The administrative work in connection with the Food Parcels for Britain Fund received prompt and careful attention. The following is a detailed statement of Lodge contributions as at June 1st, 1949. The names and addresses of fifty-seven Masonic families were supplied by the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England and a twenty-pound food parcel has gone forward to each of these families during the months of April, May and June.

Kinistino 1	\$150.00	Birch Hills 127	\$ 20.00
Qu'Appelle Valley 4	30.00	Mossbank 129	25.00
Qu'Appelle 6	51.00	Togo 130	52.00
Ashlar 8	37.00	Dinston 131	87.00
Evening Star 10	42.00	Philathea 133	20.00
Yorkton 12	75.00	Eston 134	50.00
Sintaluta 14	17.00	St. George 136	44.00
Amity 15	44.00	Riverhurst 139	16.00
Weyburn 20	45.00	Progressive 141	34.70
Britannia 23	68.00	Leader 142	24.25
Swift Current 26	5.00	Hawarden 143	71.00
Ionic 31	115.00	Dunblane 148	10.00
Golden Rule 32	40.00	Loverna 149	30.00
Davidson 33	27.00	Star City 152	52.00
Lang 34	96.00	Saltcoats 162	28.00
Bruce 36	15.00	Fillmore 163	5.00
Wapella 37	35.00	Milestone 164	51.00
Boscurvis 39	16.55	Earl Grey 168	22.00
Drinkwater 41	10.00	Sharon 170	5.00
Caron 42	25.00	Shellbrook 171	65.00
Canora 59	28.00	Radville 175	10.00
Imperial 60	117.69	Kelvington 179	50.00
Prince Albert 63	135.00	Tuberose 181	77.00
Kilwinning 74	30.00	Loyalty 185	10.00
Tisdale 76	100.00	Turtleford 190	40.00
Abernethy 77	25.00	Sovereign 192	50.00
Tugaske 78	60.00	Vanguard 194	25.00
Zealandia 85	25.00	Lacadena 196	40.00
Morse 93	10.00	Colfax 198	37.00
St. John's 106	41.00	Admiral 199	31.00
Mortlach 107	56.00	Rose Valley 202	32.00
Shaunavon 110	83.50	Meadow Lake 203	22.00
Central Butte 114	25.00	Northern Light 204	34.00
Landis 115	5.75	Eatonia U.D.	123.00
Cadillac 126	18.00	Personal	9.50

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$3,005.94

DISBURSED:

April — 57 parcels - \$541.50
 May — 58 parcels - 551.00
 June — 58 parcels - 551.00

CONCLUSION

I wish to express very sincere appreciation of the splendid co-operation extended to me during the year by Lodge Secretaries, D.D.G.M.'s and Grand Lodge Officers.

It has been a pleasure and an inspiration to travel and work with our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson. His constant desire to earnestly and efficiently serve Saskatchewan Freemasonry, his close personal interest in the work of the Grand Lodge Office and his kindly and friendly co-operation have made the year one that will ever be a happy memory.

Brethren of Saskatchewan I place in your hands the record of another year's service as Grand Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBT. A. TATE,
 Grand Secretary.

Report of Board of General Purposes

R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor presented the report of the Board of General Purposes which, on motion of R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor and R.W. Bro. A. Greaves, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan:
Brethren:

Immediately following the close of Grand Lodge, June 17th, 1948, the organization meeting of the Board of General Purposes was held in the Bessborough Hotel, Saskatoon.

The standing committees were selected, the personnel as reported on Pages 127 and 128 of the 1948 Proceedings.

R.W. Bro. Hedley Auld was elected Vice-President and R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Secretary.

The Board again met at 9.30 a.m. Tuesday, June 15th, 1949, in the Hotel Saskatchewan, Regina, with R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor, D.G.M., Chairman, and twenty-eight members present.

In the matter of regulations governing membership qualifications for Saskatchewan Freemasonry's Fifty-Year Gold Button, the Board recommend that the requirement be fifty years membership in good standing as a Master Mason.

The Board was honored by the presence of M.W. Bro. F. I. Mills, G.M., Illinois; M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gill, P.G.M., North Dakota; M.W. Bro. S. A. Holt, P.G.M. Montana; M.W. Bro. F. A. Copus, P.G.M., Ontario.

The President appointed M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks, V.W. Bro. Tom Guest, R.W. Bro. S. R. Stephens and R.W. Bro. W. O. Fraser as a committee to strike standing committees. He also appointed R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes Chairman of the Credential Committee with power to add.

Reports of standing committees were presented and after due discussion received and referred to Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,
W. H. MOOR,
Deputy Grand Master.

Report of Committee on Finance

M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes submitted the report of the Committee on Finance which, on motion of M.W. Bro F. C. Hayes and V.W. Bro. T. Guest, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

We submit our report for the Financial year ended March 31st, 1948.

The Auditor's reports show that the records of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary are in order and your Committee, after examination of these reports, recommend the same for adoption by Grand Lodge.

The 1948 expenditures were slightly over the estimates, caused mainly by two items which may be explained as follows: (a) The Board of General Purposes decided to try holding committee meetings on Monday so as to facilitate the Board Meeting on Tuesday. This meant an extra day's expenses or more as many of the members reached Saskatoon on Sunday. We believe the Board have decided not to continue the Monday meeting. (b) The cost of printing the Proceedings has increased greatly. We believe, however, the peak has been reached.

We recommend that the sum of \$1,000.00 be transferred from the General Fund and added to the Grand Lodge Office Building Fund and that consideration of additions to such Building Fund be given annually by the Finance Committee.

Attached are the statements showing estimated and actual receipts for 1948 and suggested expenditures for 1949 and to March 31st, 1950.

Fraternally submitted,

FRED C. HAYES, Chairman.

RECEIPTS

	1948 Estimated	1948 Actual	1949 Estimated
Membership Fees	\$11,100.00	\$11,487.20	\$11,500.00
Initiation Fees	3,500.00	3,264.00	3,200.00
Affiliation Fees	200.00	179.00	200.00
Commuted Life Membership Fees	850.00	1,077.60	1,000.00
Past Master and Other Certificates	250.00	319.00	300.00
Dispensations	350.00	231.00	250.00
Sale of Supplies	1,000.00	1,078.75	1,000.00
Interest on Bonds	1,000.00	1,037.08	1,037.00
Benevolent Fund Grant	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,550.00
Charter Fees	35.00	95.00	35.00
	<u>\$19,335.00</u>	<u>\$19,968.63</u>	<u>\$20,022.00</u>

EXPENDITURES

	1948 Estimated	1948 Actual	1949 Estimated
Salaries and Honoraria:			
Grand Secretary	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 4,200.00
Grand Treasurer	200.00	200.00	200.00
Grand Tyler	15.00	15.00	15.00
Office Assistance:			
Senior	1,440.00	1,421.18	1,920.00
Junior	1,080.00	1,206.22	1,080.00
Auditor	250.00	250.00	250.00
Committee on Foreign Correspondence	200.00	200.00	200.00
	<u>\$ 7,085.00</u>	<u>\$ 7,192.40</u>	<u>\$ 7,865.00</u>

Honourary Grand Secretary Retiring Allowance	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
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Travelling Expenses:

D.D.G.M.'s	1,000.00	1,000.10	1,000.00
Grand Master	800.00	800.24	800.00
Grand Secretary	800.00	798.76	800.00
Board of General Purposes ..	600.00	928.28	500.00
General Travelling Expenses..	500.00	452.84	450.00
Conference of Western Grand Lodges	300.00	278.85	300.00
	<u>\$ 4,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,259.07</u>	<u>\$ 3,850.00</u>

Miscellaneous:

Office Rental	\$ 1,560.00	\$ 1,445.00	\$ 1,560.00
Unemployment Insurance	50.00	25.20	35.00
Printing Proceedings	1,000.00	1,483.60	1,400.00
Stationery and Supplies.....	750.00	911.75	800.00
Safety Deposit Box	8.00	10.00	10.00
Postage and Excise	750.00	759.13	750.00
Post Office Box Rental	8.00	—	8.00
Relief	200.00	386.25	200.00
Superannuation, Grand Secretary	561.60	561.60	561.60
Grand Master's Regalia	300.00	276.40	284.76
General Expenses	600.00	856.80	600.00
Grand Lodge Expense	500.00	518.74	500.00
Regalia and Office Equipment	—	229.10	—
	<u>\$ 6,287.60</u>	<u>\$ 7,463.57</u>	<u>\$ 6,709.36</u>

	1948	1948	1949
	Estimated	Actual	Estimated
Total Expenditures:	\$ 7,085.00	\$ 7,192.40	\$ 7,865.00
	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
	4,000.00	4,259.07	3,850.00
	6,287.60	7,463.57	6,709.36
	<u>\$18,572.60</u>	<u>\$20,115.04</u>	<u>\$19,624.36</u>

Cash on Hand and In Bank at Beginning of Year	\$ 6,618.78
Cash on Hand and In Bank at End of Year...	\$ 6,472.37
Cash Decrease	\$ 146.41
Estimated Receipts	\$20,022.00
Estimated Expenditures	\$19,624.36
Estimated Surplus on Year's Operations	\$ 397.64
Purchase of Bond Office Building Fund —	\$1,000.00

Reports of District Deputy Grand Masters

On motion of R.W. Bros. H. Woodward and L. A. Hubbs, it was resolved that the following reports of the D.D.G.M.'s. having been referred to the Committee on Condition of Masonry be taken as read and printed in the Proceedings.

DISTRICT No. 1

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 1.

At 10 a.m. on the morning of July 25th, 1948, preceding the opening of the District Meeting at Nipawin, the cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple was laid and the building dedicated in an impressive ceremony by the M.W. the Grand Master, Fred C. Wilson and his suite of Grand Lodge Officers. The Brethren of Nipawin are to be congratulated on the building of such a splendid Temple.

The Twenty-ninth Annual District Meeting was held at Nipawin on July 26th and although Nipawin is in the very north-east corner of the District there were 129 Brethren signing the register—representing 12 of the 13 Lodges in District No. 1. A Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2.05 p.m., the officers of Nipawin Lodge occupying the Chairs with 50 Brethren present, which I believe is a record of District No. 1.

The District Meeting was opened at 2.45 p.m. with the officers of Shellbrook Lodge No. 171 occupying the Chairs. M.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson, Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Mark Musk, Past Grand Master, R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. R. McEwen, Grand Junior Warden and V.W. Bro. W. Cutt, Grand Senior Deacon were presented by R.W. Bro. Shearer, P.D.D.G.M. An exemplification of the reception, circumambulation and approach to the altar in the E.A., F.C., and M.M. degrees was given by the officers of Shellbrook Lodge with the Grand Secretary supervising the proceedings. During the afternoon the number of questions and the freedom of discussion was above that of the average meeting of District No. 1. Labour was suspended at 5.25 p.m. after which a most enjoyable buffet banquet was served by the Brethren of Nipawin.

Labour was resumed at 7.40 p.m. W. Bro. J. L. Connell of Prince Albert Lodge No. 63 was selected for recommendation to the Grand Master as D.D.G.M. for the year 1949-1950. One of the highlights of the meeting was a Masonic Quiz in which a team composed of one member from each of six lodges from the western part of the District competed against a team composed of one member from each of six lodges from the eastern part. Two very splendid addresses followed, one by the Grand Master on "Free Masonry Tomorrow" and one by the Grand Secretary on the "Entered Apprentice". The Grand Lodge Officers retired at 9.55 p.m. and after completion of District business the meeting closed at 10.05 p.m.

On August 16th, Arborfield Lodge No. 206 was duly Constituted and Consecrated by M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay, Past Grand Master, who honored the commission of the M.W. Grand Master in this connection. Assisting were R.W. Bro. F. Hedley Auld, G.S.W., R. R. McEwen, G.J.W., R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, R. McIntosh, D.D.G.M. of District No. 1, M.W. Bro. Mark Musk, P.G.M. and a group

of Brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers. A most enjoyable banquet was provided by the local members.

Labour was resumed in the Lodge and the officers duly installed and invested by the members of Tisdale Lodge No. 76 to whom I tender my sincerest thanks for their kindly assistance and the splendid manner in which they performed their work.

I have officially visited all of the thirteen Lodges in District No. 1 at one of their regular meetings and have visited a number of them unofficially on several different occasions. Wakaw Lodge No. 166 was unable to hold meetings for the latter part of 1948 as they had no hall accommodation. I am very happy to report that they now have their own Temple which was built last fall and purchased by them since the beginning of the new year. While their officers had only been installed on the 14th of February and they had only had a couple of meetings previous to my visit on April 18th I was very pleased with both the Temple and the manner in which the Lodge was being conducted. I feel sure that Wakaw Lodge will show more progress from now on than they have been able to do for a number of years in the past.

I am pleased to report that Freemasonry in District No. 1 is in a sound and thriving condition. Many new members are being initiated and I was pleased with the excellence of the material selected. All lodges are in the hands of young, well-skilled officers who are enthusiastic and proud of their work.

In conclusion I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Brethren of District No. 1 for the honor they bestowed on me in selecting me to represent them for the past year as their D.D.G.M. I can assure them that I have done my best to merit that honor.

I also wish to express my sincere thanks to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and to the Right Worshipful the Grand Secretary for their kind assistance and guidance.

Fraternally submitted,

R. McINTOSH, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 2

Right Worshipful Brother Edward Ernest Johnston, D. D. G. M. of District No. 2, answered the final summons while paying his official visit to N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11, Regina, on March 22nd, 1949.

The Working Tools have fallen from his grasp,
The journey ended for his weary feet;
Death holds his hand in gentle clasp;
His work is done, his temple is complete.

DISTRICT No. 3

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I take pleasure in submitting herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 3 for the Masonic year 1948-1949.

District Meeting—As this was my first official responsibility, I am pleased to report that it was held in the Masonic Temple, Moose Jaw, on Thursday, July 15th last. Prior to the holding of the District Meeting proper, a Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2.00 p.m. by R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes, Grand Registrar. During the meeting R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, instructed the Brethren in the work of the Installed Masters Rite, the Board being closed at 2.35 p.m.

The District Fellowship Meeting was opened at 2.55 p.m. by the D.D.G.M., assisted by Past Masters and Officers of St. George Lodge No. 136. The number of members in attendance was ninety-seven, with two lodges only not being represented. While I regret very much that any Lodge in this District should have been missing from this annual Masonic get-together, I feel very pleased that the representation was so close to being perfect, and that so many of the Brethren in the district were able to be present.

It was my privilege and honor to receive officially M.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson, Grand Master, accompanied by R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig, Past Grand Master, R.W. Bro. A. G. Pipes, Grand Registrar, V.W. Bro. T. W. Russell, Grand Steward, and R.W. Bro. R. D. Barbour, D.D.G.M., District No. 16, who were introduced by R.W. W. W. Snider, P.D.D.G.M., and to welcome them to the East on behalf of the brethren, where grand honours were given under the direction of Bro. H. Crone, Director of Ceremonies.

R.W. Bro. H. A. Cathro, P.D.D.G.M., presented his report for 1947-1948.

W. Bro. J. F. Kerr, Worshipful Master of St. George Lodge No. 136, was then asked by the D.D.G.M. to act as Worshipful Master and to present with the assistance of his officers Exemplification of "Reception", "Circumambulation and approach to the Altar" in the E.A., F.C. and M.M. degrees. R.W. Bro. Tate invited the Brethren to ask questions as the work progressed, and at the conclusion of the ceremonies congratulated W. Bro. Kerr and his officers on the very excellent manner in which the work was exemplified. I would also express my own personal appreciation, at this time, to W. Bro. Kerr and his officers for their kindness in accepting the responsibility of filling the chairs, and carrying out the ceremonies outlined previously, in such a dignified and capable manner, and to express my sincere appreciation to R.W. Bro. Tate for his very valuable assistance in answering in his usual very capable and understandable way the many questions that were presented to him by the Brethren during the exemplification ceremonies. After adjournment, the brethren enjoyed a period of relaxation and fellowship, greeting old friends and discussing the ceremonies and lessons of the afternoon, after which the Moose Jaw city lodges were hosts to all present at a most delightful informal banquet.

At the evening session, W. Bro. James P. Farmer of Mazenod Lodge No. 193 was selected by the Brethren as their representative for D.D.G.M. of District No. 3 for the next ensuing Masonic year and recommended for confirmation to the Grand Master for that year.

R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate addressed the meeting on "The Entered Apprentice", a very timely subject, appealing for renewed and sustained interest in the newly initiated brethren, a truly thought-provoking address, delivered in a masterly and challenging manner, as evidenced by the resulting applause of the Brethren.

A Masonic Quiz conducted by R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate resulted in a very pleasant and instructive interlude, honors going to the team selected from rural Lodges.

The highlight of the meeting was the very inspiring address given by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred Wilson on "Freemasonry Tomorrow", a subject that was peculiarly appropriate to these troubled times and one that could not help but imbue the brethren present with a new sense of responsibility and loyalty to the high ideals and tenets of Masonry as they apply to the everyday life of the members of the Masonic fraternity, nationally, provincially and in their own respective communities. An address that will long be remembered by those privileged to hear it and one that received the hearty endorsement of all present as indicated by the hearty applause following the proposing of a vote of thanks by W. Bro. Motherwell.

To the Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers, and the many loyal and enthusiastic officers and brethren who contributed in any way to making this meeting one of the most outstanding held by District No. 3, I express my most heartfelt thanks.

Turning now to what I consider to have been the outstanding Masonic experience of my life—the visiting of every lodge in this Masonic District, consisting of four city and eleven rural lodges—I must say without hesitation that in every case I found the warm hand of fraternal affection freely extended and the spirit of Freemasonry flowing like a broad majestic river throughout the jurisdiction. Loyalty and enthusiasm for the Craft and its representatives, a deep abiding faith in the glorious tradition, landmarks and tenets of Freemasonry, and pride and joy in the privilege of being a member of the Order and having a part in spreading the gospel of Freemasonry throughout the communities in which they live, were very apparent amongst the Brethren.

I found the landmarks of the Order well preserved, the degree work of a very high order, being exemplified with dignity and conforming very closely to Grand Lodge requirements in all lodges. I wish to express in this connection my sincere congratulations, particularly to the Past Masters, officers and members of the rural lodges, for their splendid attendance during my official visits, sometimes under very great difficulties. May I also thank both city and rural lodges equally, for their interest, enthusiasm and co-operation in arranging meeting dates, and providing such excellent opportunities for me to observe their procedure both in a business and ceremonial way.

The financial condition of all Lodges I found very satisfactory. All are operating within their revenues and, outside of one or two whose outstanding dues are rather out of proportion due to being too generous in their interpretation of Grand Lodge requirements in this connection, dues are being regularly and promptly collected.

Many lodges have again shown remarkable gains in membership, particularly in urban centres, and in the larger towns. I believe that applications are being well screened, and that the quality of new initiates will prove creditable additions to our ranks. I am particularly pleased with the percentage of young men who are becoming interested in our Order. Truly, "the youth of today are the hope of tomorrow" and fortunate indeed are the Lodges who can interest

them in the ideals and tenets of Masonry so as to insure the future of Masonry in their respective communities.

Throughout the District I found a real spirit of harmony and brotherhood, with inter-lodge visitations being freely exchanged amongst the brethren. I recommend that this great exemplification of brotherhood should be more widely displayed as between city and rural lodges.

I am particularly pleased to report that at the time of writing three additional lodges have instituted "Youth Night" as a yearly activity. I would like to congratulate Central Butte Lodge No. 114, St. George Lodge No. 136 and Memorial Lodge No. 172 for their interest in developing this very much worthwhile Masonic activity, and for their invitation to participate in the programme. I sincerely believe that this activity is one of the most important in the future development of Masonic growth. R.W. Bro. McEwen and his committee are to be highly commended on the development of a very effective programme for the guidance of lodges in holding Youth Nights. I sincerely hope that all lodges, not only in District No. 3, but in this Grand Jurisdiction, will either by themselves or in co-operation with neighboring lodges, hold a "Youth Night" as an annual activity in the near future.

In conclusion, may I express my sincere thanks to all the Brethren of District No. 3 and to the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Wilson, for making it possible for me to have the honor and privilege of serving as District Deputy Grand Master during the past Masonic year. The warm, friendly welcome, outstanding hospitality, and many courtesies, accorded me and those who accompanied me, by the officers and Brethren of every lodge visited, was very deeply appreciated. The inspiration I received from every visit will always remain with me and I will never forget the pleasant, enjoyable Masonic experience and the many fine fellows I had the pleasure of meeting during my visitations to the various lodges. I sincerely hope that I have merited the confidence placed in me and that as a result of my efforts I have been able to leave with the Brethren some thoughts that will assist them in re-dedicating themselves to the task of Freemasonry. May I take this opportunity of thanking R.W. Bro. Tate, Grand Secretary; R. W. Bro. Stephens, District Secretary; and the Secretaries of all District Lodges, for their help and co-operation in carrying out my official duties. Also my sincere thanks to R.W. Bro. Pipes, Grand Registrar, who accompanied me on all but one of my visits, and to the many Past Masters, Officers and Brethren of all Moose Jaw City Lodges who came along on every possible occasion. The co-operation given so freely in this connection and the assistance I received from those Brethren, I very gratefully acknowledge.

Fraternally submitted,

A. WILSON, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 4

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 4.

The District Meeting was held at Indian Head, Sask., on Monday, June 28th, 1948. All the Lodges in the District were represented: Ninety-eight delegates signed the District Register.

The Board of Installed Masters was opened promptly at 2 p.m. with R.W. Bro. A. Moffat of Nanatah Lodge No. 52 as Installing Master and instructions were received from R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary. The District Meeting was opened at 2.30 p.m. and the Grand Master, accompanied by M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate and M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks and R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, were introduced by R.W. Bro. J. G. Davidson of Indian Head Lodge. The Grand Lodge Officers were invited to the East and accorded Grand Honours. The Grand Master expressed his appreciation of the large attendance at this his first District Meeting. He then welcomed the following 50-year veterans:—M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, V.W. Bro. Wm. Vicars, V.W. Bro. Donald Brown of Qu'Appelle Lodge No. 6, and Bro. Harry Willsmer of Wascana Lodge No. 2. Bro. Mansell, R.C.M.P., presented the flag at the altar. The minutes of the last District Meeting were read and confirmed. W. Bro. J. M. McLeod and his officers of Indian Head Lodge No. 5 presented the circumambulation and approach to the altar in each of the three degrees, and the Grand Secretary corrected any mistakes that were made. The session was adjourned at 5.00 p.m. and reconvened at 7.30 p.m. V.W. Bro. J. A. Stueck of Abernethy Lodge No. 77, was selected for appointment by the Grand Master as D.D.G.M. for 1949-1950. The Brethren were then favoured by two splendid addresses, the first by the Grand Secretary, Robt. A. Tate, on "The Entered Apprentice". The Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, gave his address on "Free Masonry Tomorrow" and advised us to keep our feet firmly on the ground and teach the simple art of how men can live together in peace and harmony. The Grand Officers then retired and the Meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.

I have visited all Lodges in District No. 4 and have found them all doing good work and in close conformity with Grand Lodge requirements. Most of the Lodges have held very successful Youth Nights and those that have not were planning to hold one.

I think there are far too few of our members in this District that attend the Church of their faith regularly, which is a very poor example for the youth that we are trying to do something for. I realize that I should not have accepted this high office with my humble qualifications. I wish to sincerely thank all the Brethren of District No. 4 for their kindness in allowing me to serve them as D.D.G.M. and I am sure I will always remember the glad hand that I received from every one. I want to thank the Brethren of my own Lodge No. 5 for going with me on my official visits. I also want to thank the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary for their assistance during my year of office.

Faternally submitted,

LEONARD A. HUBBS, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 5

To the W.M. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 5.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Saskatoon, on July 13th, 1948, with M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, and other Grand Lodge officers in attendance.

A Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2.15 p.m. with V.W. Bro. Wm. Garvie acting as Installing Master, when some very interesting and instructive demonstrations were given by R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate. These were very much appreciated by the Worshipful Brethren.

The District Meeting was opened at 3.20 p.m. at which time M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, Grand Master, R. Wor. Bro. W. H. Moor, Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate and other distinguished Brethren, were introduced by R.W. Bro. C. A. Moir and the Grand Master was accorded Grand Honours.

Exemplification of portions of the three degrees was carried out with W. Bro. G. J. Shaw acting as Worshipful Master and W. Bro. M. Peel as a candidate.

R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate made the necessary corrections in his usual efficient and very capable manner, which should result in more uniformity in the work in this district.

W. Bro. Dr. Herman of Davidson Lodge No. 33 and W. Bro. Brock Carlton of Elstow Lodge No. 147 were nominated to be selected for recommendation to the incoming Grand Master as D.D.G.M. W. Bro. Brock Carlton being absent, W. Bro. Dr. Herman was declared District Deputy Grand Master selected for recommendation for 1949.

R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate gave a most inspiring address, choosing as his subject "The Entered Apprentice". He pointed out that by guiding the youth along the right path we would help to solve some of the world problems of to-day.

R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate then conducted a Masonic Quiz which proved very interesting as well as most instructive.

The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson then addressed the meeting taking as his subject "Freemasonry Tomorrow".

He drew a picture of the conditions of the world to-day, and the actions taken to counteract some of the evils. He pointed out our duties and responsibilities, especially relating to the youth and how our actions of to-day would effect the world and Freemasonry of to-morrow.

His address was most instructive and highly appreciated by the Brethren.

On July 12th, 1948, Aberdeen Lodge No. 205 was Constituted and Consecrated. The ceremony was exemplified by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, assisted by the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor, the Grand Senior Warden, R.W. Bro. F. Hedley Auld, the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, and other distinguished Grand Lodge Officers.

I have made visits to 14 Lodges of the 15 in the district, officially, as well as making a number of unofficial visits. I will be visiting the fifteenth lodge on the night of May 18, 1949.

I have found that most of the work in the district is of a high order and conforms very closely to Grand Lodge requirements. The Lodges are showing a healthy growth with a good percentage of the new members being young men which augurs well for the future of Masonry in the District.

During my year I have stressed Masonic research, Youth Nights, benefits derived from attending Grand Lodge Communications and District meetings, duties and responsibilities of the members.

During the year many of the Lodges held a Youth Night, in addition to their usual social activities.

I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Brethren of District No. 5 for the privilege of serving you in the capacity of D.D.G.M. and for the many kindnesses and courtesies extended to me during the year, to the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, the District Secretary, W. Bro. F. E. Smith-Jones, and to the Secretaries of all the Lodges for their kind assistance and co-operation, to R.W. Bro. C. A. Moir, R.W. Bro. A. Greaves, R.W. Bro. Dr. Langford, V.W. Bro. W. Garvie, and the many Brethren who assisted me throughout the year.

For my successor, W. Bro. Herman, I bespeak the same loyal co-operation and support it has been my good fortune to receive.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. E. ROSE, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 6

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grant Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 6.

The District Fellowship meeting, held in the Masonic Temple, Weyburn, August 3rd, 1948, was exceptionally well attended with ten of the eleven Lodges in the District being represented and a recorded attendance of 122 with a voting strength of 66 Brethren. Although this is a marked improvement from previous years and demonstrates the increasing interest in this important meeting, a larger attendance of presiding Masters and Wardens is particularly desirable. The importance of this meeting—the primary object of which is the extension of Masonic knowledge—and the benefits to be gained by the presiding officers of all Lodges in the District, cannot be over-emphasized.

All Lodges in the District were visited and, without exception, each Lodge is making progress in the reception of candidates. Financially, all Lodges are in a very healthy condition and some have made substantial progress in establishing exclusive ownership of property. The importance of adequate insurance is recognized and provided for. In some cases, arrears of dues are rather excessive and a more careful consideration of this obligation on the part of the Brethren would greatly assist the Lodge Secretary and contribute to the future successful progress of their Lodge.

The work witnessed was, in most cases, exceptionally well conducted. Many Lodges have young officers who demonstrate their interest and enthusiasm by their efficiency in the ceremonial work and their keenness in their search for further Masonic knowledge is also significant. Much of their success is due to the many faithful Past Masters who show such great interest in their achievement. An organized system of Masonic research or education and the establishing or extension of some Lodge libraries would greatly assist these young officers and also promote greater interest for the Brethren, generally.

All Lodges in the District have demonstrated their approval and interest in the "Freemasonry and Youth" program and have

appointed the necessary committees. Sixty percent of the Lodges in the District have already held a "Father and Son" night and the remainder have either been delayed or postponed due to adverse weather conditions or are yet in the process of preparation. Those to which your D.D.G.M. had the privilege of attending were strikingly successful and the response and reaction of our young friends to the general atmosphere of spontaneous good fellowship, could not fail to leave a deep sense of personal satisfaction to all those contributing to the success. The contribution to this program by our Brethren who are also members of the R.C.M.P. is particularly important. The educational material made available by the service, and the ready assistance given by the staff, assists greatly our own efforts to introduce and exercise our influence. It is, of course, impossible to foresee the future effect of this program on our Youth but, if we recognize the truth of the quotation, "Youth need models more than they need critics," the daily contact, and the example set by us, whom they know to be Masons, cannot fail to be an important influence on their future thoughts and actions.

The "Tracing Board" continues to contribute considerably to the success of many Lodge meetings in the District and the universal adoption by the Brethren as the chief source of Masonic news, information and inspiration, is an expression of their thanks and appreciation to the Editor and his contributory staff.

An interesting suggestion has recently been advanced by one of our most progressive Lodges with a view of increasing interest and enthusiasm by the Brethren which, in turn, would increase Lodge attendance. This suggestion, if adopted, would confine degree work to Emergent meetings with the Regular meetings kept exclusively for business session augmented by Masonic discussions, quizzes, reviews of Western Conference material, etc. It has been recognized by this Lodge that the continual observation of degree work, by Brethren not holding office, ceases, in time, to be of sufficient interest to maintain enthusiasm, and that such Brethren have little opportunity of personal effort in behalf of their Lodge. Such a suggestion has sufficient merit to warrant consideration by all Lodges in the District.

Masonry in the District as a whole is in a very healthy condition, and the good fellowship and harmony among the Brethren is most gratifying. With continued economic prosperity, our prospects for the future will, undoubtedly, remain excellent.

Before concluding this report, your D.D.G.M. wishes to express his sincere appreciation for the opportunity of serving in this distinguished office, recognizing, however, that any success he may have achieved has been due to the kindly co-operation of all Brethren in the District.

The ready advice and assistance of the Grand Secretary has been especially appreciated, and the greatest incentive to conscientious effort has been the kindly encouragement of the Most Worshipful The Grand Master.

Anticipating, and confident of your continued co-operation, one may predict that your D.D.G.M. elect, W. Bro. N. H. Penfold, will complete a satisfying and successful year of office and retire with a similar sense of achievement and a justifiable pride in his District.

Fraternally submitted,

P. K. BROWN, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 7

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 7.

The District meeting was held at North Battleford on Friday the 9th day of July, 1948.

A Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2.10 and closed at 2.30 p.m. The District meeting was opened at 2.35 p.m. M.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson, Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. L. Clink, P.G.M., and R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, were introduced by W. Bro. J. E. Nunn and received with customary Honours.

The floor work was ably exemplified by the officers of Northern Light and Meadow Lake Lodges, who were complimented on their excellent work by the Grand Secretary who at this time also reviewed some of the work from the previous annual meeting. Labour was suspended at 4.45 p.m.

At the evening session, W. Bro. J. P. Gordon of Lonach Lodge No. 182, was declared selected for recommendation as D.D.G.M. The highlights of the evening were two addresses, an inspiring one by the Grand Master on "Freemasonry Tomorrow", and a thought provoking one by the Grand Secretary—subject "The Entered Apprentice". Grand Lodge Officers retired at 9.00 p.m.

The meeting was then open for District business. Considerable discussion took place re selection as D.D.G.M., but no resolutions were voted on. It was moved by W. Bro. J. E. Nunn, seconded by W. Bro. Doan that this meeting go on record in appreciation of the very excellent addresses delivered by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary. It was recorded by enthusiastic applause. Members of Ionic Lodge were thanked for the use of their Lodge room. W. Bro. McKittrick, W.M. of Ionic Lodge, invited the Lodges to hold their 1949 Annual Meeting in the same Lodge room. Meeting closed in harmony at 9.50 p.m. I wish here to thank the Brethren who ably and willingly assisted me in conducting this meeting.

I visited all of the 13 Lodges in the District, and spoke briefly on the following at the different Lodges: working tools and that we should apply them in their Masonic sense; influence Freemasonry has had on past history and may have on that of the future; stressed responsibility of those recommending candidates and also of those investigating same; Youth programme; attendance at Grand Lodge and District Meetings; the declaration re God and religion of 1723 and the continued toleration and unity among Masons today regardless of religious or political beliefs.

Financially the Lodges are in good position, although more members are in arrears of dues at the end of 1948 than at the end of 1947. The membership for the District shows a net gain of 18 members over the figures in the 1948 Grand Lodge Proceedings, to the end of December, 1948. A good percentage of the Lodges have held a Youth Night and before the 1949 Annual Meeting all will have done so either singly or jointly.

The degree work was excellent to good and none could be classified as poor.

Finally I will assert that nowhere will one find a more sincere feeling of friendly, fraternal, good fellowship, than among the mem-

bers of the Lodges comprising District No. 7, A.F. & A.M., and I thank them for selecting me as D.D.G.M., and also M.W. Bro. Wilson for confirming that selection. I have felt in some respects unsuited for the position, however, I have filled it to the best of my ability.

Faternally submitted,

H. L. BINNS, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 8

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as D.D.G.M. for District No. 8.

It has been a pleasure to have had the privilege of representing our Grand Master, M. Wor. Bro. F. C. Wilson as D.D.G.M., and I would like to thank the Brethren of this district who made it possible for me to do so. I trust that my endeavours to make Masonry more worth while and help to give youth a chance to observe some of the more important things in life, "taught through Masonry", will not be taken lightly.

The District Meeting was held in New Hope No. 30 Lodge rooms, Stoughton, on June 30th, 1948, with all Lodges represented except Border No. 52.

Prior to the District meeting, a Board of Installed Masters was held with Arcola Lodge in office, Rt. W. Bro. Glew in the East. Our Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, conducted the instruction. The District Meeting was opened at 2.45 p.m. R.W. Bro. G. D. Gray, "New Hope", introduced the Grand Lodge officers, our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson, R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary, and V.W. Bro. W. O. Turnbull of Fillmore Lodge No. 163, Grand Superintendent of Works. They were welcomed and invited to the East where the Grand Honours were accorded them.

New Hope Lodge exemplified the approach to the altar in the three degrees of Masonry. The Grand Secretary was kept busy answering questions and giving instruction to the sixty-five Brethren who had attended this meeting. From the interest taken I would say the afternoon session was one where all Brethren who attended went home with much more knowledge of the proper way to conduct the circumambulation and approach to the altar in each degree.

During the intermission between afternoon and evening sessions, an excellent supper was enjoyed in the basement of the United Church served by the Ladies' Aid.

At the evening session, W. Bro. Wm. Hopkins of Estevan Lodge No. 25 was selected for recommendation for appointment as D.D.G.M. for 1949-50. The Quiz Program conducted by our Grand Secretary proved very interesting and ended in a close race between Estevan and Carlyle Lodge teams. The Grand Secretary's address, "The Entered Apprentice and Youth Program", was educational and instructive and enjoyed by all. The address given by our Grand Master, "Free Masonry of Tomorrow", was filled with wisdom and Lodges could well be guided by it (special note to that part, "selection of a Candidate and what his qualifications should be".)

I have visited all Lodges in the District and find Masonry on a very high level throughout. I am especially pleased with the progress

that many of the Lodges have made with regard to the Youth Movement. I would like, here, to give special mention to Boscurvis Lodge No. 39, Amity Lodge No. 15, Border Lodge No. 52, Alameda Lodge No. 27 and Fillmore Lodge No. 163, on their splendid Youth Nights. These Lodges followed the Program as outlined by the Grand Lodge Youth Committee. New Hope Lodge No. 30, unable to conduct a Youth Night as set out by Youth Committee "because there were not sufficient youth of the required age", conducted skating races once a week, and at the end of the season gave those participating an evening's entertainment and motion picture provided by Corp. Cunningham, R.C.M.P. Twelve cups were presented to the different age groups, cups to be kept by winners. I would suggest that all Lodges in this district do their utmost to contact youth in some way and show those young folk that we, as Masons, are interested in their activities and welfare.

As is expected, there are some very outstanding Lodges, where candidates are plentiful and all Brethren take a keen interest, while other Lodges find themselves in a position of waiting for a break. This seems to be history repeating itself, as nearly all rural Lodges have had this experience. Border Lodge No. 52 has had more candidates to date than any other Lodge in the District during my term of office.

During the year Carlyle Lodge Brethren have had to find new quarters. Carlyle town has a grand new Community Hall, and the Masonic Brethren now share a lodge room with other lodges in this building. I was instructed to pay a visit to this Lodge room for the purpose of inspection, and I was very pleased with it. It has every convenience a good Lodge room should have, and Carlyle Brethren are very proud of their new home.

Fillmore Lodge No. 163 report that they are purchasing a building which will be their new Lodge rooms in future. This was made possible through donations.

The suggested competition on activities of Lodges, as outlined by the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, was discussed at the time of my visits with each Lodge, with the exception of two; these two Lodges to report at a later date, which they have not done. Those Lodges where this subject was discussed were in favour of such a program, with the exception of two. These two thought some changes could be made, otherwise it would make the duties of their Secretaries much heavier.

All Lodges were in favour of a Committee of each Lodge to have the responsibility of conducting funeral services, and that this ceremony be memorized, but that the funeral ritual be present at the service.

I have tried to impress upon each Lodge the necessity and desirability of each Lodge in the district sending a representative to Grand Lodge Communications. Only four Lodges in this district were represented at Saskatoon in 1948.

In concluding I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Brethren from New Hope Lodge who accompanied me on my official visits. New Hope Brethren can truly say they have visited all Lodges in District 8 in 1948, as four or five Brethren accompanied me on each visit. I wish to thank the Worshipful Masters and all Brethren for their hospitality extended to me on the occasion of my visits, and I extend to them my sincere wish for a bright future. To our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson, and R.W. Bro. Robert

A. Tate, Grand Secretary, my sincere thanks for your assistance and instruction at District Meeting and through the year. If each Lodge gives my successor the same whole-hearted support you have given me, W. Bro. Wm. Hopkins' year as D.D.G.M. will be a most pleasant experience.

Fraternally submitted,

C. C. CAMERON, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 9

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 9.

The District Meeting of District No. 9 was held at Grenfell on June 29th, 1948. Only six of the twelve Lodges were represented. The meeting was honoured by the presence of the M.W. Grand Master Fred C. Wilson, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, and V.W. Bro. W. Black, Grand Junior Deacon. The Grand Secretary supervised the reception, circumambulation and approach to the Altar in the E.A., F.C., and M.M. degrees. Evening Star officers put on the work under the direction of W. Bro. Zeggil.

An open discussion took place, following the exemplification on the work in general.

The evening session opened at 7.30 p.m. W. Bro. H. B. Lowe was selected D.D.G.M. for 1949-50.

The Grand Secretary then delivered an address, his subject being "The Entered Apprentice", following which an address was given by M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, Grand Master, on "Freemasonry Tomorrow". Both addresses were very much enjoyed by all who were present.

I visited ten of the twelve Lodges in the District officially. Owing to road conditions I have been unable to visit Connaught and Grayson Lodges. They will not meet before this report is sent to the Grand Secretary's office. I find the Condition of Masonry in District No. 9 very good. In most of the Lodges I visited the work was uniform and conforms to the requirements of Grand Lodge. Five of the twelve Lodges in the District have held Youth Nights this year and three others will be holding them when road conditions permit.

During 1948-49 two of District No. 9's P.D.D.G.M.'s have passed to the Grand Lodge above, namely R.W. Bro. E. H. Claybon of Grayson Lodge, and R.W. Bro. W. Marshall of Wawota Lodge. Both were given Masonic funeral rites.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Brethren of District No. 9 for selecting me as their D.D.G.M. and also for the kindness shown me by each of the individual Lodges when I attended on my official visit. I also wish to express appreciation for the hospitality and very sumptuous banquet provided by the Brethren of Evening Star Lodge on the occasion of the District Meeting held in Grenfell.

Fraternally submitted,

HUGH SHEPHERD, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 10

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 10.

The District Meeting was held at Canora on July 27th, 1948, ten of the twelve Lodges of the District being represented, fifty-nine members in attendance.

The Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2.45 p.m. by W. Bro. C. McCloy of Melville Lodge No. 62. R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate exemplified some portion of the work of a Board.

The District Meeting was opened at 3.20 p.m. R.W. Bro. J. Foster, P.D.D.G.M., introduced M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay, Past Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, who were invited to the East by the D.D.G.M. The Grand Master thanked the Brethren for the welcome and asked the D.D.G.M. to carry on with the meeting.

R.W. Bro. J. Foster gave a very interesting report of his activities during his term of office as D.D.G.M.

Exemplification of work in the E.A., F.C. and M.M. degrees was then presented. R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate made correction when necessary and explained various points raised by the Brethren. There was enthusiastic interest throughout the exemplification by all the Brethren and great credit is coming to our Grand Secretary for his explanation of various parts of the work.

The meeting was called off at 5.15 p.m. when all Brethren adjourned to the Legion Dugout for a splendid supper served by the United Church Ladies' Aid.

The District Meeting was reopened at 7.30 p.m. and the selection of D.D.G.M. was the first order of business. W. Bro. D. Williams of Yorkton Lodge No. 12 was declared the choice of the meeting.

The Grand Secretary gave a forceful address on "The Entered Apprentice" and the Grand Master delivered an outstanding address on "Freemasonry Tomorrow". These addresses were enjoyed by all. The Grand Lodge officers retired from the meeting at 9.10 p.m.

During my term of office I visited all the Lodges in District No. 10 and found a splendid Masonic fellowship throughout. I witnessed various degrees and had degrees exemplified during my visits and found all officers well skilled and efficient.

There are two Lodges in District No. 10 that are not in very good shape, having been unable to get the Brethren out for meetings. I refer to Norquay Lodge No. 178 and York Lodge No. 157. The Brethren of these two Lodges contemplate amalgamating and I strongly recommend that they do so with Kamsack and Saltcoats Lodges respectively.

All other Lodges are in a healthy condition and a fine spirit of harmony prevails throughout the District.

I wish to thank the Brethren in District No. 10 for their loyal support on the occasion of my visits and for selecting me as their D.D.G.M. I thank the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary for their great help to me at all times.

Fraternally submitted,

H. WOODWARD, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 11

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 11.

The District meeting was held in the Masonic Temple at Swift Current on July 6th, 1948.

The Grand Master, The Most Worshipful Brother Fred C. Wilson, the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, and V.W. Bro. W. S. Miller were present. A Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2.25 p.m. R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, G.S., exemplified part of the installation ceremony. The general district meeting was opened in short form. The Grand Lodge officers, M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, G.M., R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, G.S., and V.W. Bro. W. S. Miller were introduced by R.W. Bro. J. L. Gaffield. The distinguished Brethren were received and given the Grand Honours. The Grand Master urged the brethren to feel free to take part in the meeting as it belonged to them. The minutes of the last meeting were read by Acting Secretary W. Bro. R.W. Atkinson, and adopted as read. R.W. Bro. John Stewart of Cabri Lodge, No. 119, gave his report on the condition of Masonry in the District for the past year. The Grand Secretary conducted a lodge of instruction. Exemplification of parts of the degrees were given by the officers of Sceptre Lodge. Valuable instruction was given by R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, G.S., which was much appreciated and will improve the uniformity of the work in this district. W. Bro. Leach gave a short talk on "The Youth Movement", and requested the Brethren to contact him regarding the youth meetings and program. He urged every lodge to hold at least one youth entertainment during the coming year.

At the evening meeting, W. Bro. Linklater of Leader Lodge No. 142, was elected D.D.G.M. for the 1949-50 term. W. Bro. Linklater is exceptionally well posted in Masonic research work, and is an able speaker and will bring us something worth while as D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Gaffield of Leader Lodge was elected secretary of District Lodge.

The Grand Secretary outlined the work which was exemplified at the afternoon session, and gave a very interesting and instructive address. He also conducted the quiz program which was well received and is becoming quite popular at the District Meetings. R.W. Bro. John Stewart presented R.W. Bro. Allan McIntosh with a Past D.D.G. Master's apron. The Grand Master expressed his pleasure in meeting so many old friends. He addressed the brethren, taking the subject, "Free Masonry of Tomorrow". He emphasized the duty of Masons in guiding the youth of today to be the citizens of tomorrow.

I am very grateful to the Grand Lodge officers and to all the Brethren who have given their assistance and support during my term of office.

The attendance at the District Meeting was not large, but from a standpoint of interest and discussion it was quite a successful meeting. I visited all the lodges in District No. 11. I saw degree work exemplified in six of the lodges. The work was well done. There are Past Masters in every lodge who help with the coaching of the new members and keep the work uniform. All the lodges are receiving some new material and some have quite a number of applications for membership and initiation. I consider the condition of masonry to be in a very favorable state in our district. The books and records

are well kept. The secretaries are to be commended for their untiring efforts. I urged the brethren to organize and promote the youth movement. I attended a Youth Meeting at Leader which was a splendid success. Bro. Brakefield-Moore addressed the meeting as guest speaker in a very able manner. It is felt in this district that Grand Lodge has made a splendid contribution in promoting Freemasonry and youth. I believe all the lodges except Lancer and Sceptre have had Youth Night entertainments. Sceptre and Lancer are lodges having small memberships, and it has been suggested that they combine and plan a Youth Night in the near future.

I outlined briefly the proposed competition between lodges, as suggested by the committee on the condition of Masonry in Saskatchewan. I urged the brethren to make an effort to attend District Fellowship Meetings, and send a representative to Grand Lodge.

At Morse Lodge I had the pleasure of hearing V.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Jeary, Past Grand Chaplain, give a splendid address, entitled "The Centre of the Building."

I had the opportunity of visiting Cabri Lodge on December 6, when they opened their new home. Cabri Brethren are to be congratulated on this splendid achievement. This was a meeting comparable to the Mounted Police Night, held in Swift Current on May 18 of last year.

I conducted the funeral rites for the late Bro. Edmund Gill of the Leader Lodge. I was pleased to have the opportunity of rendering this service to the Leader Lodge.

I wish to thank the secretaries and the other officers for their courtesy and co-operation at the time of my visits. The reception and entertainment I received left nothing to be desired.

I am grateful to all the brethren in District No. 11 for electing me to this office. I shall always remember this experience as a very pleasant year in Masonry.

To my successor, W. Bro. W. F. Linklater, a very pleasant and profitable year.

Fraternally submitted,

L. E. TREW, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 12

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 12.

The District Meeting was held at Rosetown on July 7th, 1948. This was indeed a very successful meeting in every respect. Every Lodge in the District, with the exception of one which was under dispensation was represented. A total of 83 signed the Register. Only nine of these were visitors. The Grand Master stated that the attendance of thirty-four Past Masters and five Masters was the largest that had attended at any District Meeting so far.

A Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2.15 p.m. Chairs were filled by Past Masters from Kindersley Lodge. The Grand Secretary gave the usual able instructions and answered all questions. The Board closed at 2.40 p.m.

The District Meeting was properly opened at 2.55 p.m. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were duly presented by R.W. Bro.

McDougald and invited to the East where the Grand Honours were given in the usual manner.

The usual exemplification of the most important parts of the three degrees were carried out by different lodges, also the usual quiz contest which proved to be helpful and educational. These were under the able direction and instruction of the Grand Secretary, who, in his usual capable manner offered much helpful advice and instruction.

Two most interesting and forceful addresses were delivered by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary. The former speaking on "Freemasonry Tomorrow", and the latter on "The Entered Apprentice". Both of these addresses were most instructive and beneficial to all present.

There are now ten lodges in this district and I visited each lodge officially once. Some several times on other occasions. All my official visits were well attended and in general a keen interest in Masonry was demonstrated. I feel I can definitely say that Masonry in this District is in a flourishing and healthy condition. Much new material of the proper calibre has been taken into most lodges during the past year. However in one or two instances I deemed it advisable to sound a note of warning to put quality before quantity, believing it might be more important for us to be more concerned about getting more Masonry into the members we have rather than devoting all our attention to new members.

All lodges in this district with the exception of three own their own buildings. Condition of most owned buildings is good. Furniture and regalia throughout the district is in very good condition.

With regard to the proposed competition between lodges, I took this matter up with each secretary on my official visits and at the time of writing this report I am unable to say whether this is favored or not. Undoubtedly it has both advantages and disadvantages. However, I presume this will be fully gone into at the next Communication of Grand Lodge.

It was a great shock to me, and I am sure it was to all the Brethren throughout the district, to learn of the very sudden passing of Right Worshipful Brother Walker of Elrose Lodge, early in February. Weather and roads being favorable I was able to represent the Grand Master at his funeral which was very largely attended.

I have considered it a very rich privilege to have had the opportunity of serving as District Deputy Grand Master in this district, and to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master for confirming my appointment, to the Grand Secretary for his invaluable assistance and guidance at all times, and to all the brethren throughout the district for their co-operation and wonderful hospitality which they extended to me on my official visits I sincerely thank you one and all, and for my successor, Worshipful Brother Pitman, I bespeak the same loyal support.

Fraternally submitted,

R. H. TURNER, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 13

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 13.

I visited all the Lodges in District No. 13 and find Masonry in a healthy condition in most of them. I enjoyed the Masonic fellowship of the meetings and endeavoured to greet each Member personally. There was degree work or exemplification of degree work in nearly all Lodges and in most cases I found the officers well skilled. I strongly stressed the importance of Lodge officers attending the District Meetings. Freemasonry and Youth programs have been held in several of the Lodges with great success, while the committees in some Lodges deemed it unfeasible.

I would recommend that Section 129 of the Constitution be altered to read, "A Master Elect shall not assume the Master's Chair until he has given evidence to a Board of Installed Masters and the Board be responsible for his proficiency. Previous to the installation his election must be confirmed."

The District Meeting was held in Unity, July 8th, 1948, with a fair attendance. Only one Lodge was not represented. A Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2.15 p.m. and the Grand Secretary gave valuable instruction in the work. The District Meeting opened at 2.40 p.m. M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, were introduced by R.W. Bro. McIntosh and were invited to the East and given the Grand Honours. The officers of Prairie Lodge No. 57 exemplified portions of the E.A., F.C., and M.M. degrees. The Meeting was then called from labour to refreshment.

At 7.30 p.m. the selection of D.D.G.M. was then proceeded with and W. Bro. Calvert of Biggar Lodge No. 100 was declared duly selected. R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate gave an excellent address on the "Entered Apprentice" and the Grand Master addressed the meeting on the subject "Freemasonry Tomorrow". The addresses were greatly enjoyed by all.

I am gratefeul to the Brethren of District No. 13 for the privilege of serving them as D.D.G.M. and having the pleasure of meeting the Brethren in their Lodges.

Fraternally submitted,

A. E. GRENKIE, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 14

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 14.

After my investiture my first objective was that of organizing the District Meeting, which was held at Cadillac on July 5th. Eleven of the fourteen Lodges of the District were in attendance. Seventy-one Members were present. The meeting was opened at 2 p.m. W. Bro. C. E. Bradley of Shaunavon Lodge No. 110 introducing the M.W. the Grand Master, Fred C. Wilson, who was accompanied by R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary. They were received in due form and given the Grand Honours. After well chosen remarks by the Grand Master, the D.D.G.M. proceeded with the general business of the agenda.

The Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2.20 p.m. by Aneroid Lodge No. 111 with R.W. Bro. E. Van Nest in the East. The work was favourably commented on by the Grand Secretary. The

report of the retiring D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Harold Thompson, was read by himself and accepted. This was followed by the exemplification of portions of the first, second and third degrees which was done in a very creditable manner by Woodrow Lodge No. 112 with W. Bro. A. E. McBride in the Chair.

This, I am sure, was a very worthwhile District Meeting and a real good school of instruction and I would like to not only recommend but to urge all Lodges to take an active interest in attending District Meetings.

I have visited all Lodges in the District and have found the majority of them in a very healthy condition and making good progress. Most of the Lodges have taken an active interest in the Freemasonry and Youth movement and have had special Youth Night meetings, with very good results.

The spirit of enthusiasm with regards to Masonry prevails throughout the District. There is however the odd case of small Lodges being located very close to larger Lodges where if amalgamated with the larger Lodge I think it would be of mutual benefit. However, I think this should be left to the judgment of the individual Lodges concerned. I have witnessed degree work in most of the Lodges and I find it very uniform and complying with all requirements of Grand Lodge. The Past Masters and Past D.D.G.M.'s of the District are a tower of strength, not only throughout the District, but to their own individual Lodges.

There are a few Lodges in this District that have an excessive amount of dues outstanding. This I have brought to the attention of the respective Lodges concerned. I am sure that proper steps have been taken to correct same.

To all the Brethren in District No. 14 I wish to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation for the splendid co-operation and hospitality extended to me throughout the entire District. Thank you for the privilege of serving you as D.D.G.M. and for the great honour bestowed on me when you selected me for appointment to this high office and to the M.W. the Grand Master for confirming your selection.

I wish to extend my thanks to the M.W. the Grand Master for his guidance and instructions and to the Grand Secretary for his generous assistance and kindness throughout the year. To my successor, W. Bro. A. D. Graham of Kincaid Lodge No. 138, I wish every success and bespeak for him the same co-operation and hospitality.

Faternally submitted,

A. C. RUNNING, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 15

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my Report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 15:

The District Meeting held at Wynyard, July 28, 1948, was exceptionally well attended when 90 Brethren signed the Register for the day. Nine of the 11 constituent Lodges were represented. The meeting opened at 2.00 p.m. with R.W. Bro. John J. Bole introducing the M.W. the Grand Master, Fred C. Wilson, who was accompanied by R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary, and V.W. Bro. J. Argue, (84), Grand Steward. They were received in due form, invited

to the East and accorded Grand Honours. The Grand Master briefly addressed the meeting.

Minutes of District Meeting, 1947, read and approved. R.W. Bro. Hanbidge being absent, his report was read by the presiding officer. Report was adopted. Board of I.M.'s was presided over by W. Bro. Maurice Saslow (151) and received the compliments of the M.W. the Grand Master. Portions of the Work in the various Degrees were exemplified by members of Wynyard Lodge (66) in a commendable manner. R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate conducted an interesting and instructive quarter hour Quiz Program as a school of instruction and the meeting was unanimous in a request that this form of instruction continue to be a feature in our District Meetings. The evening session was featured by two splendid addresses. M.W. the Grand Master spoke effectively on Conditions of Masonry. R.W. Bro. Tate's topic was "The Entered Apprentice". Both addresses were well received.

I have visited 9 of the 11 Lodges in the District, as at this date. The others will be visited shortly. I have found them making valuable contributions to Freemasonry. A few are working under handicaps beyond their control, but their fine spirit will surely weather the storm. I witnessed Degree Work in several of the Lodges and found the Work very uniform. The fine support given Lodge officers by Past Masters was strikingly apparent and there is a bright future for the Order in District No. 15.

I would here offer a couple of suggestions: That encouragement be given all members, and particularly all Junior Officers, to attend District Meetings. My other suggestion is of particular importance to the future of Freemasonry—it is that all members and Lodges take a keen and personal interest in the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund.

To my predecessor, R.W. Bro. Hanbidge, I owe much for his encouragement. To my successor, whomsoever he may be, I wish every success during his term of office and offer him whatever help I can give. To the Brethren of the District I would say "Thank You!" for the privilege of serving you and for the honour bestowed upon me. I wish to thank the Grand Master for his courtesy and many kindnesses, and to the Grand Secretary for his patience and his fine spirit of assistance and co-operation throughout the year.

Fraternally submitted,

W. T. MORPHY, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 16

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 16.

The District Meeting was held at Imperial on Thursday, July 29th, 1948. Ten of the eleven Lodges of the District were represented. Eighty-three members signed the register. M.W. Bro. Fred Wilson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, and R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary, were in attendance.

A Board of Installed Masters was opened at 2 p.m. and instructions given by R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate.

The District Meeting opened at 2.35 in prescribed form. At 2.45, M.W. Bro. Wilson, Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Tate, Grand Secretary, were admitted and introduced by the D. of C., R.W. Bro. S. J.

Caught. Our Grand Master and Grand Secretary were then escorted to the East, where they were accorded Grand Honors.

The minutes of the last District Meeting held at Govan on July 7, 1947, were read by the acting Secretary, R.W. Bro. W. A. Richardson, confirmed and signed by D.D.G.M.

R.W. Bro. W. A. Richardson, the retiring D.D.G.M., gave his report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 16 for the year 1947-1948.

The exemplification of the reception and circumambulation of the candidates in the First and Second Degrees, was presented by the W.M. and officers of Simpson Lodge. R.W. Bro. Tate gave further instructions in all Three Degrees.

At the evening session, W. Bro. Hugh Waldie of Simpson Lodge No. 121, was selected to be recommended to the Grand Master as D.D.G.M. for the year 1949-1950. M.W. Bro. Wilson in his evening address, chose for his subject, "Freemasonry Tomorrow". R.W. Bro. Tate spoke on "The Entered Apprentice". Both addresses were greatly appreciated by the Brethren present.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to report that Freemasonry is in a flourishing condition in District No. 16. All Lodges are in fair financial condition. Arrears of dues are small and all Lodges are endeavouring to clear up whatever arrears remain. Attendance could be improved in most Lodges but no one seems to have found the happy solution to this problem. I have found the officers to be generally well skilled and taking a great interest in all phases of Masonry. During my visit to the various Lodges, I was very much impressed with the quality and also the youthfulness of the candidates. Masonry seems to have finally made an appeal to the young men of our District, which to me seems to augur well for the future of our order.

During my year as D.D.G.M. I have visited nine of the eleven Lodges comprising District No. 16. I expect to visit the other two the first week in April. Two lodges I have visited twice on special occasions. I had the honor of visiting Simpson Lodge No. 121, the evening R.W. Bro. S. J. Caught received his son into Masonry, also I had the honor of visiting Strasbourg Lodge No. 46 the evening W. Bro. Essery, W.M. of Strasbourg Lodge, received his two sons into Masonry. At that meeting I had the pleasure of presenting the candidates with the Working Tools of an Entered Apprentice.

Acacia Lodge No. 101 held a Youth Night in November; some twenty youths were guests of the Lodge. Corporal Jordan of the R.C.M.P. presented the Flag. The Lodge was indebted to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for the showing of two of their films. The highlight of the evening was an address by R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate presented in his usual inimitable manner, and was greatly appreciated by all present. A bountiful lunch was served, after which the Youth Meeting closed in perfect harmony.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the Brethren of District No. 16 for the honor they conferred on me when they chose me as their representative for 1948-1949; also for the Fraternal Friendship they have shown me in so many ways. I wish to thank our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Wilson, for accepting me as D.D.G.M. To R.W. Bro. Bob Tate I'll just say, "Thanks a million for everything".

To my successor, Worshipful Brother Hugh S. Waldie, I extend my best wishes for an enjoyable and successful year.

Fraternally submitted,

R. D. BARBOUR, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 17

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

District No. 17 began activities for the year with the District meeting being held in the Masonic Hall at Riverhurst on Wednesday, July 14th. After the opening M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary, were introduced and given the Grand Honors. The Grand Master acknowledged the welcome and congratulated the District on the attendance.

The afternoon program as outlined by Grand Lodge was then followed. The degree work was exemplified by the regular officers of Dinston Lodge No. 131 without any Past Masters being used. In the evening the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary each gave splendid addresses which were well received. The Masonic quiz takes well and I hope it will be continued. A ballot was then taken and W. Bro. J. A. Malloch of Lucky Lake Lodge No. 187 was declared elected as D.D.G.M. for next year. From comments from the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary it was felt that the meeting was quite successful.

I have now visited all the Lodges in the District and I find an excellent spirit of Masonry and optimism in nearly all the Lodges. Only four of our Lodges do not own their own halls, but two of these have bought buildings this winter and one other has all plans made to start building in the spring. One of our weaker Lodges had four applications for initiation and one for affiliation at one meeting, all of which were accepted. These being excellent material would, no doubt, be an inspiration to any Lodge. Most of the Lodges have held Youth Nights and report good results. All the Secretaries seem to feel that the competition sponsored by the Committee on the "Condition of Masonry", is well worth a trial. Degree work, mostly in the third degree, was exemplified by every Lodge and I would say was very well done and conforms with the standard set by Grand Lodge. While I agree with the general practice of a Worshipful Master delegating part of his work I feel that this might be overdone, and I would caution Examining Boards to be very thorough in their duties. I found all secretaries' books very well kept, but a tardiness on the part of a few Secretaries in returning forms which hold up the work of Grand Lodge. I would suggest that better care be taken of insurance policies, deeds, bonds, etc.

Two sad memories of the year will remain with me, the passing of R.W. Bro. J. V. Greer, P.D.D.G.M., of Sovereign Lodge No. 192, and W. Bro. H. G. Haack, W.M. of Lucky Lake Lodge No. 187, but I will have many bright spots also, such as meeting and getting the views of many new Brethren, and the presentation in my own Lodge of a fifty-year button to my father, A. A. Steele, who joined Mississippi Lodge No. 147 at Almonte, Ont., in 1898.

In concluding again I thank the Brethren for the opportunity of serving our District as D.D.G.M. and to the Grand Master for confirming that appointment. To the Grand Secretary I express my grateful thanks for helpful suggestions, assistance and kindly remarks, and to the incoming District Deputy, I wish every success and the same friendly co-operation I received in my visits.

Fraternally submitted,

M. A. STEELE, D.D.G.M.

Selection D.D.G.M.'s

The M.W. the Grand Master announced that it would be necessary for the representatives of the Lodges in Districts Nos. 2, 13 and 15, present at this Communication, to meet during the noon recess under the chairmanship of their respective D.D.G.M.'s. and to each select a Brother whom they wished to recommend for appointment as D.D.G.M. of their District.

Report of Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence

M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin on behalf of M.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion presented the report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. W. M. Martin and C. P. Moore, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M. Brethren:

Your Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence submits the following report:

We congratulate our Grand Master upon completion of a successful year in his high office.

It is gratifying to note that during the year new Lodges were constituted at Aberdeen and at Arborfield as numbers 205 and 206 respectively on our Grand Registry and that Nipawin Lodge No. 183 laid the cornerstone of a new Masonic Temple.

We commend our Grand Master for his diligence in attending meetings on special occasions of Lodges throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

We note with interest the record of visits by the Grand Master to sister Grand Lodges and Masonic Conferences and reports thereon given by him or to be given by other Grand Officers.

We are honored in this communication of our Grand Lodge by having present a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada In Ontario, a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota and a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana and the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Alberta and Illinois. We join with our Grand Master and with all our Saskatchewan Brethren in hearty welcome to all these distinguished Brethren from sister Jurisdictions.

We are gratified to note the success which has attended the efforts of the Grand Master and his "Food Parcels for Britain" Committee.

Our Grand Master's long service to Grand Lodge and to the Craft in general has culminated in a year of very earnest and profitable leadership by him as Grand Master. We note with special gratification his pledge that his active support of Masonry will be continued by him as a Past Grand Master.

The Notice of Motion to amend the constitution which is on the agenda we found to be in order and proper to be submitted to Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,
S. J. A. BRANION, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence

M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin presented the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. W. M. Martin and N. R. Craig, was received and together with the reviews of the Proceedings of Sister Grand Jurisdictions ordered printed in the Proceedings.

In seconding the motion to adopt the report M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig reminded Grand Lodge that the preparation of such a report entailed a great deal of time, for half a hundred jurisdictions were reviewed. He said the report was often embalmed in the "Proceedings", rather than used in Lodges as a subject for study. He suggested that when there is not much work to do in Lodges someone should make a review of M.W. Bro. Martin's report. We talk about the universality of Freemasonry but we become local in our interest, and this world-wide survey should be made a real study by the members. He asked whether a coloured brother should be admitted to our Lodges, if a coloured Lodge is recognized by our Grand Lodge. This report deals with such matters so he urged the report should be studied by the Lodges, for it was available in the Record of Proceedings.

M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin presented a report on application for recognition which, on motion of M.W. Bros. W. M. Martin and J. R. Yorke, was received and adopted as follows:

An application for recognition has been received from the Grand Lodge National of Colombia at Barranquilla. According to information at hand this Grand Lodge is regular in every respect and conforms with the Declaration of Principles adopted by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. It has been recognized by thirty-four Jurisdictions in the United States and by the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, Scotland, Canada in Ontario, Nova Scotia and Alberta. Your Committee recommends that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge National of Colombia at Barranquilla and that representatives be exchanged.

Fraternally submitted,

W. M. MARTIN, Chairman.

The hour having arrived for adjournment, the Grand Master called the Craft from labour to refreshment.

THE FIRST DAY — AFTERNOON SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 1.45 p.m., M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present. The Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes were again presented by Bros. Constable E. C. Curtain and Sgt. A. H. M. Downey.

Reception Grand Representatives

The Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan assembled in the approaches to Grand Lodge.

The flag bearers, Bros. Constable E. C. Curtain and Sgt. A. H. M. Downey took up their stations at the Altar.

The Representatives of the Grand Lodges in the British Commonwealth of Nations were escorted into Grand Lodge by the Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies, W. Bro. H. W. Nichol. Bro. E. C. Curtain, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Union Jack.

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The Representatives of other Grand Lodges were escorted into Grand Lodge by the Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies, W. Bro. H. W. Nichol.

The Brethren joined in singing "God Bless Our Native Land".

The Grand Secretary called the roll of Grand Representatives. The Grand Master in extending a welcome said:

"We welcome you in the name of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and ask you to convey to those Grand Jurisdictions which you represent our good wishes and felicitations. Temporarily you have laid aside your capacity of Masons of Saskatchewan and taken upon yourselves the mantle of Masons throughout the world. It is a comfort to know that you represent the Grand Jurisdictions of Freemasonry of the world and we see in you Masonry Universal.

"In these days of unrest and uncertainty throughout the world, Masonry is again challenged to take its part, using as weapons, not those of mortal combat, but those principles symbolized by the emblems upon the Altar and in particular all the wisdom and truths contained in the V.O.S.L.

"This Grand Jurisdiction stands with you in promoting a world encircling program that will guarantee to all men, in the greatest measure possible, those principles that Masonry stands for. We join with your several Grand Jurisdictions in extending the fraternal hand of fellowship and brotherhood to all peoples and all nations who are willing to accord justice and fair dealing among men."

M.W. Bro. Mr. Justice W. M. Martin in acknowledging the welcome on behalf of the assembled Grand Representatives said:

"I esteem it a great honor to be here as the representative of the United Grand Lodge of England and on behalf of the Grand Representatives here assembled I wish to thank you Most Worshipful Sir for the kindly words of welcome you have given us on this occasion.

"I also wish to congratulate you, Sir, on a most successful Communication. I have been present at many Annual Meetings of this Grand Lodge and the proceedings have always been conducted with a dignity worthy of the time-honored institution to which we belong.

"We all realize that the world today needs, as perhaps never before, the teachings of Freemasonry, Universal brotherhood, justice to everyone, tolerance, and regard for the dignity of the individual. These virtues are a result of a belief in God, the Father of us all.

"We regret that there are countries in the world today where the Great Light of Masonry has disappeared, where the Word of God is mocked, and where the human soul and the rights of the individual count for naught.

"There are countries where the all-powerful political state is substituted for the great Christian Truths, where suspicion and hate are fostered, and where men are not permitted to practise their re-

ligious beliefs, and where acts of kindness and charity are looked upon as weakness.

"With these tragic conditions prevailing in some countries where Masonry is not permitted, there is comfort in knowing that in the Jurisdictions here represented, the Great Light of Masonry still shines and the great truths of the Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of Man are being taught and practised.

"It is our earnest hope that in the not distant future we may receive in this Grand Lodge representatives from countries where Masonry is at present banned. Their presence here would be evidence that the fraternity was again spreading its influence among men of every nation: and we are assured that its teachings of tolerance, liberty, justice to all and the Brotherhood of Man will do much towards giving to the world a lasting peace.

"Again I thank you Most Worshipful Sir for your kindly greetings and we shall be happy to convey your good wishes to the Jurisdictions we respectively represent."

The Grand Representatives were then accorded Grand Honours.

Address

R.W. Bro. E. H. Knowles, Grand Chaplain, was then called on and addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

"The Grand Master has desired that I should address you on the occasion of this forty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

"In the solemn invocation of the Most High in our opening ceremony we were reminded of two profound principles of our Craft when we sought 'that preventing grace without which all human efforts are of no avail' and again when referring to the 'Sacred Law' we asked that 'our labours thus begun be in order and obedience to our Laws'. In the preventing grace we set forth the 'Fatherhood of God', and in the obedience to our Laws we set forth the 'Fellowship of the Brethren'.

"My thoughts turn to a great event in history which we are ever mindful in our Craft and that is the dedication of the Temple. Every member of our Craft in his instruction is constantly reminded of that dedication as part and parcel of the principles which govern Freemasonry in every generation, for it set forth the sacredness of the Temple. And so, we dwell upon the great care there was in preparing everything beforehand so that each stone and timber was fashioned to fit into its place in that great structure without sound of hammer.

"And then we picture the great dedication of the completed building when King Solomon standing before the Altar invoked the blessing of the Most High upon all who would come into that sacred edifice, the condemning of evil and the justifying of the righteous to give him according to his righteousness. Supplication was also made for times of famine, of pestilence, of blasting, mildew, locust and caterpillar of plague, and of sickness.

"And then followed something which should be of much significance to us all in our Craft in this day and generation and that was that it should include 'the stranger that is within our gates', who

may have come from far and who seeks to join and to be received into the worship of that Temple.

"In our midst today, after years of war and stress and trial amongst the nations of the world, there have come to our fair land, our peace-loving land, many who have come from far to seek homes in a peaceful community, people who seek to become one with us, to build their dwellings, to seek our education and culture for themselves and their children, and many perhaps who will seek the advantages of fellowship in our Craft which would be a great thing for them and for their children after them.

"And so, with the vision of the great future which is before us on these wide prairies of Canada, and of the countless thousands of people who will in the days which are before us doubtless be coming to us from afar, we are sure that Freemasonry can extend to them the two great principles which we profoundly believe in in the Fatherhood of God, and the fellowship of the brethren, therefore let us remember 'The Stranger that is within our gates.'"

Report of Committee on Grievances and Appeals

M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay presented the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, which, on motion of M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay and R.W. Bro. W. O. Fraser, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

There have been no grievances or appeals brought to the attention of your Committee. Peace and Harmony prevail within the Grand Jurisdiction.

Fraternally submitted,
HECTOR MACKAY, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Condition of Masonry

R.W. Bro. Hedley Auld presented the report of the Committee on Condition of Masonry which, on motion of R.W. Bros. Hedley Auld and G. H. Hummel, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W., the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

The condition of Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction continues to be generally satisfactory, although there are real possibilities of improvement. Growth in membership continues but at a slower rate than in the recent past. There has been a small increase in the number of Lodges, but there are some few small Lodges which have some difficulty in maintaining a separate independent existence. The interest of Freemasonry in Youth is very evident. There has been a notable improvement in Lodge properties and an increase in the number of Lodges which have acquired ownership of their meeting place.

LODGE EFFICIENCY:

With few exceptions, favorable comment has been made concerning the efficiency of Lodge officers in the discharge of their duties. However, two D.D.G.M.'s. have stressed the importance of that portion of Section 129 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge which reads as follows:

"A Master elect shall not assume the Master's chair until he has given evidence of his proficiency to a Board of Installed Masters . . ."

If Installed Masters be familiar with the degree of efficiency required in this connection and fulfil their duties in accordance with Section 130 of the Constitution there need be no subsequent cause for complaint in connection with the proficiency of the Master. Since reports of ritualistic inefficiency are rare, it is hoped that all Masters elect will be prepared to meet the most exacting requirements of Examining Boards by knowing their duties as Masters and being competent to confer the various degrees as well as to open and close the Lodge in each Degree in accordance with the established work. In connection with the customary assistance given by Past Masters one D.D.G.M. said in his report "While I agree with the general practice of a Worshipful Master delegating part of his work I feel that this might be overdone, and I would caution Examining Boards to be very thorough in their duties."

Records of attendance are an indication of lodge efficiency and reflect the pride and interest of Lodge members in their Institution. Measured by this criterion, many Lodges do not now rank creditably. It is the opinion of your Committee that there should be a keen scrutiny by all Lodge officers of their over-all program so as to increase its attractiveness and acceptability to the membership. A Master's responsibility is not discharged by his mastery of ritual; he should also exercise imagination in the planning of pleasing agendas and see to their punctual presentation. Only one Lodge was classed "poor" by the D.D.G.M.'s.; four were "poor to fair"; eighteen were "fair"; twenty-one were "fair to good"; and the remainder were either "good" or "excellent". If attendance were better, more Lodges would have warranted a high rating.

On the subject of meetings and attendance, the following comment of one D.D.G.M. deserves consideration:

"An interesting suggestion has recently been advanced by one of our most progressive Lodges with a view to increasing interest and enthusiasm among the Brethren which, in turn, would increase Lodge attendance. This suggestion would confine degree work to Emergent meetings with the Regular meetings kept exclusively for business sessions, augmented by Masonic discussions, quizzes, reviews of Western Conference material, etc. It has been recognized by this Lodge that the continual observation of degree work by Brethren not holding office ceases in time to be of sufficient interest to maintain enthusiasm and that such Brethren have little opportunity of personal effort in behalf of their Lodge."

NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS:

It may be of interest to note that more than one-third of the Freemasons in this Grand Jurisdiction reside outside the jurisdiction of the Lodges in which they retain membership. Since the membership of many of our Lodges is small the loyalty and continued support

of these non-resident members is of great importance to them. Forty-six of the Lodges in this Jurisdiction have less than twenty-five resident members, and in twenty-nine Lodges a majority of the members are non-resident. It is our hope that this loyalty of these non-resident members to their Lodges may not prevent them from being active Masonically in their new environment.

ERECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF PROPERTIES:

Commendable activity has been shown during the past year in the acquisition and improvement of Lodge premises. Touchwood No. 51, Harmony No. 75, Tuscan No. 81, Cabri No. 119, Birch Hills No. 127, Wakaw No. 166, and Nipawin No. 183 are among those Lodges which have provided themselves with improved accommodation suited to their needs. Rosthern-Duck Lake No. 13, Victoria No. 82, Riverhurst No. 139 and Sovereign No. 192 also made improvement in buildings or furnishings. Erection of new buildings or the renovation of purchased properties will give improved facilities to the Brethren of Yellow Grass No. 96, Conquest No. 132, Fillmore No. 163, Quill Lake No. 169, Lucky Lake No. 187, Macrorie No. 191 and Hudson Bay No. 200. In some cases the construction work was done largely by the Brethren themselves who thus became "temple builders" in a real sense. Most properties seem to be amply protected by fire insurance, although there are some exception which should receive the early attention of the responsible Lodge officers.

ATTENDANCE AT DISTRICT MEETINGS:

On examining the reports of the District Meetings one cannot fail to be impressed with the fact that many Masters and a still larger number of Wardens have been missing the excellent opportunities afforded by these meetings to enlarge their knowledge of ceremonial procedure and increase their efficiency as Lodge officers. While complete attendance data for all District Meetings are not available to your Committee it is known that 13 of the 17 District Meetings were attended by only 161 out of a possible 465 Masters and Wardens, as compared with 468 Past Masters. Freemasonry is very fortunate in retaining the interest and enthusiasm of its Past Masters; but it is exceedingly regrettable that any Warden or Master should miss the excellent educational opportunities which are provided at the Annual District Meetings. They are the one occasion in the Masonic year when all Lodge officers may meet the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary and be greatly assisted by them in their effort to serve the Craft acceptably.

LODGE FINANCES:

Collection of membership dues is another measure of Lodge efficiency and, particularly, of Secretarial activity. Greater economic prosperity has generally eased the burden of Lodge financing and may, to some extent, have engendered a degree of carelessness in the prompt discharge of membership dues. Only 13 Lodges reported no delinquency in this respect as compared with 16 which had no outstanding dues a year ago. Incidentally, five of the thirteen are in Masonic District 17 which excelled in this respect last year.

Auditing of all Lodge accounts regularly and promptly and the submission of an annual report of finances to the Lodge members is an essential duty which is observed faithfully by most Lodges but is still neglected by a few. In connection with Lodge disbursements it was observed that in a few cases the scope of Masonic generosity has been widened more than is authorized by Approved Ruling 40.

MASONIC EDUCATION:

To find time for the education of Masons in the symbolism of their Craft now seems difficult without increasing the number of Lodge meetings or lengthening them unduly. An admirable means of imparting Masonic knowledge and encouraging the habit of reading other Masonic literature is found in The Tracing Board. Its value has been emphasized by a number of D.D.G.M.'s, one of whom said: "its universal adoption by the Brethren as the chief source of Masonic news, information and inspiration is an expression of their thanks and appreciation to the Editor and his contributing staff."

Slow progress is indicated in the development of Masonic libraries and in their use. The fact that numbers of Lodges are slow to discover their duty with respect to the reading in open Lodge of the address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and other selections from the Proceedings of Grand Lodge indicates a limited use of Masonic literature and suggests a need to stimulate the interest especially of newly-made Masons in the rich values they may discover through the study of even a few Masonic writers. In this connection we repeat our recommendation of last year that seekers for Masonic knowledge should become at least familiar with the reports of Grand Lodge Proceedings.

FREEMASONRY AND YOUTH:

The interest that has been aroused in this Masonic program has been expressed in the holding of Youth meetings in all districts of this Jurisdiction. This form of activity is desirable in arousing the interest of Lodge members who desire an action program in which all can participate. It may, therefore, be expected that this form of Masonic service will be continued and expanded.

FOOD PARCELS FOR BRITAIN:

The appeal for Food Parcels for Britain has only recently been made a focal point of Masonic interest in this Jurisdiction. It, too, is an "action" program which affords an opportunity for Masonic generosity; and a continuance of the present satisfactory response may be expected so long as the existing need persists.

LODGE COMPETITION:

Your Committee on the Condition of Masonry, in its report a year ago, introduced the idea of scoring Masonic Lodges in respect to their activities and efficiency, and suggested the possibility of formal recognition of outstanding achievement. Since the reaction to the proposal was far from unanimous your Committee now recommends that for the present, at least, the proposed Competition be restricted to a scoring of individual Lodge efficiency as revealed by available records and reports, that the statistical report form used by Lodges to report their standing at the end of the Calendar year and the Confidential Report form used by D.D.G.M.'s. be suitably amended in order to make them more useful in reporting Lodge activities, and that it be the duty of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry to make such use of available Lodge data as it may deem to be beneficial to Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction. For some years the Committee in its report to Grand Lodge gave credit to Lodges on the basis of achievement. It is now proposed that the basis of comparison be slightly broadened and that the rating be continued in a manner that will recognize outstanding achievement without adding unduly to the work of Lodge secretaries.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS:

During the past year the District Deputy Grand Masters seem to have devoted themselves to the work of their office with great earnestness, zeal and efficiency. To our great sorrow and regret, R.W. Bro. E. E. Johnston, D.D.G.M. for District No. 2, was tragically stricken down by the Grim Reaper while in the act of visiting one of the Lodges in his District as a part of his official duties. R.W. Bro. A. P. MacLean, Past D.D.G.M. who obligingly offered to complete the work entrusted to R.W. Bro. Johnston, also passed to the Grand Lodge above before that task was completed. We mourn the loss of these two devoted Grand Lodge officers who served the Craft so well.

We recommend, with the concurrence of the M.W. the Grand Master, that the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred on each of the following Brethren who served the office of D.D.G.M. during the past year:

R.W. Bro. Roland McIntosh	District No. 1
R.W. Bro. E. E. Johnston.....	District No. 2
R.W. Bro. Arthur Wilson.....	District No. 3
R.W. Bro. L. A. Hubbs	District No. 4
R.W. Bro. W. E. Rose	District No. 5
R.W. Bro. P. K. Brown	District No. 6
R.W. Bro. H. L. Binns.....	District No. 7
R.W. Bro. C. C. Cameron	District No. 8
R.W. Bro. Hugh Shepherd	District No. 9
R.W. Bro. H. Woodward	District No. 10
R.W. Bro. L. E. Trew.....	District No. 11
R.W. Bro. R. H. Turner	District No. 12
R.W. Bro. A. E. Grenkie	District No. 13
R.W. Bro. A. C. Running	District No. 14
R.W. Bro. W. T. Morphy.....	District No. 15
R.W. Bro. R. D. Barbour	District No. 16
R.W. Bro. M. A. Steele	District No. 17

Fraternally submitted,

F. HEDLEY AULD, Chairman.

Report of Committee on the Tracing Board

Bro. George E. Robins (Editor) presented the report of the Editorial Committee of "The Tracing Board", which, on motion of M.W. Bro. D. Fraser and R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

The Editorial Committee of the Tracing Board begs to submit its Seventh Annual Report. We acknowledge with gratitude the splendid co-operation of individual members, constituent Lodges and District Meetings which has so firmly established the publication throughout every part of the Jurisdiction.

From the circulation view point we have almost 100% coverage in the Lodges, a record which may be equalled by other Jurisdictions but cannot be excelled. From a point of view of its influence in Masonic thought and activity we cannot judge its success by any

material standard, but we are encouraged by the many testimonies of its practical assistance in Masonic activities, of its aid in guiding Masonic education, and its stimulation in keeping vitally alive the spirit of Freemasonry.

In a world of confusion, misunderstanding and organised attempts to destroy the moral foundation of life, we strive through our publication to keep the light of our Craft clear, the truth we stand for pure, and our determination to defend the basic moral laws of the universe resolute. Such is the policy of THE TRACING BOARD.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE E. ROBINS, Editor.

Report of Committee on Masonic Relief and Charity

R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes presented the report of the Committee on Masonic Relief and Charity, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. A. S. Pipes and A. Greaves was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M. Brethren:

Your Committee on Masonic Relief and Charity beg to submit herewith the following report for the past year:

We received requests from St. Andrews' Lodge No. 174 and Battle Lodge No. 19 for assistance in defraying the funeral expenses of worthy Brethren. Also from Woodrow Lodge No. 112 for assistance in defraying Doctor and Hospital expenses of the daughter of a deceased Brother.

Your Committee recommended the following grants, which were paid: St. Andrews' Lodge \$126.25; Battle Lodge \$160.00; and Woodrow Lodge \$100.00.

Fraternally submitted,

A. S. PIPES, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Charters

M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter presented the report of the Committee on Charters, which, on motion of M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter and R.W. Bro. S. R. Stephens, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M. Brethren:

Your Committee on Charters herewith report that a Dispensation to form a Lodge was issued by the M.W. The Grand Master on May 29, 1948, to twenty-one Brethren of Eatonia, Sask. The Lodge was instituted June 11, 1948. Your Committee have examined all books and records of this Lodge and find them to be in excellent condition. The books are well kept, the Lodge appears to be functioning well and is in excellent financial condition. This Committee wish to congratulate these Brethren for the manner in which their records are kept. We would suggest this Lodge should, if possible, hold their meetings on a definite date each month. This Lodge appears to be away to a good start and your Committee have no hesitation in recommending they be granted a Charter.

Fraternally submitted,

J. C. CARTER, Chairman.

Address

M.W. Bro. Frank A. Copus, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, addressed the Grand Lodge. He expressed appreciation for the kind manner of those who presented him. He felt his first duty must be to bring greetings and felicitations of M.W. Bro. T. H. Simpson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, who because of ill-health was not able to be present. He said there was a difference between a Grand Master in office and a Past Grand Master, for the present Grand Master's words carry weight, for he speaks officially. But no such inhibition governs a Past Grand Master.

In eloquent and forceful language he told how this world is God's world and the corollary is that God works out his purpose through us, you and me. God has done us the honour of calling us into His service in one of the great evolutionary periods of history. The world is in travail, a new world is going to be born, a world in which our children and our children's children must live. The child born today is conditioned by what we do. M.W. Bro. Copus expressed his conviction that the world is getting better in spite of its setbacks and we are moving toward a better day.

What a great contribution Freemasonry can make through its 200,000 members in Canada. It can offer a body of opinion that cannot be turned aside by other forces. Freemasonry can offer a saving code. The successful truth of Freemasonry is that all men are brothers. However, we have been so concerned with material things that we have overlooked spiritual matters. He called upon Freemasons to give leadership to Canada and not to be influenced by frothy mouthed statements. We must save the day by common sense.

It may be that some changes may be necessary. If so, we must face them and not be blind worshippers of the past. He and a friend once discovered a bird with peculiar methods. It flew backward. Why? It was so anxious to keep its eyes on where it came from that it could not see where it was going. He challenged the dictum that we must refrain from every form of political and religious discussion within the Lodge. Of course if by the term political we meant partyism, or if by religious we meant denominationalism, he agreed we must refrain. But if by religious is meant man's relations to his Maker, or political, man's relation to his fellow men, then if we take these out we have nothing left. Let's get down to earth. He quoted a poem regarding a minister who from his ivory tower of seclusion dropped his sermons among the people below, the last lines of which ran:—

In his age God said, "Come down and die"
And he cried from out the steeple,
"Where are thou God?" and God replied,
"Down here among my people".

We must do some constructive thinking. He quoted from the book of Esther, when Mordecai urged Esther to inform the king of the plot to destroy her people. Mordecai said "For if thou holdest thy peace at this time, then shall there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed; and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this". He concluded "Masonry has come to the present for such a time as this".

Report of Committee on Library

M.W. Bro. W. J. Smith presented the report of the Committee on Library, which, on motion of M.W. Bro. W. J. Smith and R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M. Brethren:

Your Committee on Grand Lodge Library beg leave to report that we have inspected the Grand Lodge Library and find same in as good condition as can be expected with the shortage of space which still prevails.

It has been suggested to your Committee and in this we concur and recommend that, as some Grand Jurisdictions are generous enough to supply us with duplicate copies of their Annual Proceedings, that these duplicate copies might be sent out to such Constituent Lodges as care to apply for some of them, thus providing space for incoming copies. These copies of Annual Proceedings all contain much valuable material and are interesting and instructive for the Masonic student, and your Committee feel that Lodges would be well advised to write the Grand Secretary asking him to send out to them such copies as can be allotted for use of their members.

We can but repeat what we reported the previous two years regarding the securing of a circulating library and also to assure Grand Lodge that the best is being made of the space available for library purposes and care taken of books, historical records, Jewels, etc., now in possession of Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. SMITH, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Printing and Supplies

V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird presented the report of the Committee on Printing and Supplies, which, on motion of V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird and M.W. Bro. W. J. Smith, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M. Brethren:

All printing and supplies for Grand Lodge Office have been procured.

During the year new regalia was acquired for the Grand Director of Ceremonies and the D.D.G.M. District No. 9, and repairs made to the regalia of four other Grand Officers. Owing to the continued high cost no replacements are made in this connection unless absolutely necessary.

Lists of Lodges which are provided once every three years, will be in the hands of the Lodge Secretaries this year.

The Grand Lodge Office now has sufficient equipment for present requirements and no major expense is anticipated in the near future.

Tenders for the printing of the 1949 Proceedings were received from three firms and your Committee accepted the lowest tender which was submitted by a local Company.

Fraternally submitted,

E. CULLUM BIRD, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Necrology

R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor presented the report of the Committee on Necrology, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. W. H. Moore and F. Hedley Auld, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

Let us be still for a few moments while we do honor to the 252 of our brethren, who, during the past year, have locked up their secrets, and have sought admission at the portals of the Grand Lodge above.

They were ordinary men, a cross section of our Masonic fraternity; with various endowments, physical, intellectual, spiritual and social; with different political and religious views, but with certain things in common; a belief in the Great Architect of the Universe, a sincere desire to know and obey His will, and endeavor to act as true and faithful craftsmen rendering a good account of their workmanship.

The Readers Digest reported the following note, found in the wallet of Col. David Marcus, who created the Army of Israel, and who was killed in the Jerusalem Road battle, June 11, 1948.

THE SHIP. "I am standing upon the seashore. A ship at my side spreads her white sails to the morning breeze and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength, and I stand and watch her until at length she is only a ribbon of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other. Then someone at my side says, 'There: She's gone!' Gone where? Gone from my sight,—that is all. She is just as large in mast and hull and spar, as she was when she left my side, and just as able to bear her living freight, to the place of destination.

Her diminished size is in me, not in her, and just at the moment when someone at my side says 'There: She's gone,' there are other voices ready to take up the glad shout "There: She comes!' And that is dying."

Of the 252 there were 23 P.D.D.G.M.'s., including one who died in office, to whom reference is made later in this report.

R.W. Bro. William Russell Gordon, Kindersley Lodge, No. 86, affiliating from Amity Lodge, No. 15, Carnduff, March 29, 1912. Worshipful Master 1920; D.D.G.M. District No. 12, in 1922. Died March 23, 1948.

R.W. Bro. Harry Artley Loucks, Charter Member Invermay Lodge, No. 102, in 1913 coming from Vienna Lodge, No. 237, Ontario. Worshipful Master 1916; D.D.G.M. District No. 15 in 1932. Died April 29, 1948.

R.W. Bro. James Newell Adair, Boscurvis Lodge, No. 39, Oxbow. Initiated, passed and raised, September 14, 1908, October 12, 1908 and January 6, 1909. Worshipful Master 1914; D.D.G.M. District No. 6 in 1921. Died July 4, 1948.

R.W. Bro. Homer Hill Tubman, Rouleau Lodge, No. 40. Initiated, passed, and raised February 16, March 30, and May 18, 1909. Worshipful Master 1916; D.D.G.M. District No. 2 in 1926. Died August 16, 1948. "An excellent skilled workman he did much to lay the foundation stones of Masonry in Rouleau. His untiring labor won for him the

esteem and affection of all who knew him, as a Mason, a churchman, and a citizen.

R.W. Bro. Ernest Edward Robinson, Melfort Lodge, No. 18, affiliating from Nelson Lodge, No. 23, British Columbia, January 2, 1923. Worshipful Master 1928; D.D.G.M. District No. 1 in 1939. Died September 22, 1948.

R.W. Bro. George McKay, Outlook Lodge, No. 65. Initiated, passed and raised, January 2, February 16, and March 26, 1912. Worshipful Master 1915; D.D.G.M. District No. 12 in 1918. Died September 22, 1948. One of the old landmarks of Outlook Lodge. He was driving with his wife to Saskatoon, when he had a heart attack and the car went into the ditch. Neither he nor his wife were seriously hurt, but the shock later caused his death.

R.W. Bro. Frank Brown O'Neil, Ishpaming Lodge, No. 43, Langham, affiliating from Melfort Lodge, No. 18 April 5, 1922. Worshipful Master 1925; D.D.G.M. District No. 5 in 1930. Died October 26, 1948. He was representative of the Monarch Lumber Co., for many years at Langham and Saskatoon. One of the stalwarts of Ishpaming Lodge, he was made a Life Member in 1941. An ardent supporter of everything that was worthy in the community, he was beloved by his friends, respected by his business associates, and will be sorely missed by his Brethren. He was buried in the Royal Oak Burial Grounds, Victoria, the service conducted by Victoria Columbia Lodge, No. 1,

R.W. Bro. Edmond Clayton, Grayson Lodge, No. 48, Dubuc. Initiated, passed and raised, November 18, 1908, January 20, 1909, and February 16, 1909. Worshipful Master 1914; D.D.G.M. District No. 9 in 1917. Died November 5, 1948. A valuable member of his Lodge he was buried at Dubuc, with Masonic rites conducted by M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay, P.G.M., with Grayson and Melville Lodges participating.

R.W. Bro. George Henry Stephenson, Charter Member Meyronne Lodge, No. 128, coming from Woodrow Lodge No. 112 in 1916. Worshipful Master 1922; D.D.G.M. District No. 14 in 1925. Died November 21, 1948.

R.W. Bro. Thomas Allan Patterson, Arcola Lodge, No. 21. Initiated, passed and raised, January 27, March 17, and April 20, 1921. Worshipful Master 1926; D.D.G.M. District No. 8, 1930. Died December 10, 1948. Born in Manitoba he lived in Saskatchewan since 1906. After many years of faithful service as Registrar of the Land Titles Office in Arcola, he retired in 1944 and moved to Regina.

R.W. Bro. Frederick Birthall Lewis, Gray Lodge, No. 176. Initiated, passed and raised, May 25, July 10, and August 31, 1923. Worshipful Master 1932; D.D.G.M. District No. 2 in 1934. Died December 20, 1948. Born in Cookstown, Ontario, he was educated there and at Barrie and Toronto, taught school for three years and came to Saskatchewan in 1900, and taught at Assiniboia and Touchwood Hills. For forty years he farmed at Milestone and later at Gray, where he was active in the United Church. From 1912 to 1916 he was on the Rural Municipal Council of Lajord, and for eight years from 1918 was reeve. He was a member of the legislature for Milestone 1923 to 1929. After retiring he moved to Regina where he was leader of an adult Bible Class and an elder in Metropolitan Church.

R.W. Bro. John Victor Greer, Charter Member Sovereign Lodge, No. 192, coming from Zealandia, No. 85, in 1928. Worshipful Master 1930; D.D.G.M. District No. 17 in 1939. Died January 11, 1949.

R.W. Bro. Walter Marshall, Charter Member Wawota Lodge, No. 150, coming from Composite Lodge, No. 103, in 1919 after being Worshipful Master in that year. D.D.G.M. District No. 8, 1934. Died January 12, 1949.

R.W. Bro. John Cedric Cramm, Woodrow Lodge, No. 112. Initiated, passed and raised December 16, 1929, February 3, 1930, and March 3, 1930. Worshipful Master 1936; D.D.G.M. District No. 14 in 1943. Died January 17, 1949. Born in Deloraine, Manitoba, he came to Woodrow in 1918, as grain buyer for N. M. Patterson Co. Interested in community affairs, he was founder and the first president of the Woodrow Community Club; secretary of the ball club; and a former district representative of the Saskatchewan Curling Association. He had been secretary of the Agricultural Society, town secretary, and for 25 years secretary-treasurer of the School Board.

R.W. Bro. Ernest Rowland Davis, Ceylon Lodge, No. 116. Initiated, passed and raised, November 17, 1915, January 19, 1916, and March 15, 1916. Worshipful Master 1919, 1924, and from 1936 to 1939. Grand Steward 1927 and again in 1939; D.D.G.M. District No. 6 in 1942. Died January 17, 1949.

R.W. Bro. Walter George Robinson, Bruce Lodge, No. 36, Francis. Initiated, passed and raised, July 2, July 30 and November 11, 1907. Worshipful Master 1913; Grand Director of Ceremonies 1915; D.D.G.M. District No. 8 in 1916. Died February 7, 1949. A resident of Francis since 1905, he was Liberal member of the Legislature 1912 to 1929, being speaker for the last four years. Born in Quebec, he went with his parents to Wallace Township, Ontario, when he was a year old. There he attended public school, and high school at Listowel and Owen Sound. After teaching in Ontario he came west, and graduated from the Regina Normal School. Since 1905 he was a successful farmer, four miles north of Francis, and for thirty-five years was Superintendent of the United Church Sunday School.

R.W. Bro. Lewis Abbott, Charter Member Cupar Lodge, No. 47, coming from Trent Lodge, No. 38, Ontario. Worshipful Master 1910; Grand Steward 1911; D.D.G.M. District No. 9 in 1912. Died February 16, 1949.

R.W. Bro. William Herbert Walker, Elrose Lodge, No. 135. He was made a Mason in Morse Lodge No. 93 in 1917. He affiliated with Landis Lodge, No. 115, becoming Worshipful Master in 1932. Later he affiliated with Asquith Lodge, No. 146, and then with Elrose Lodge, November 17, 1941. Grand Steward 1943; D.D.G.M. District No. 12 in 1946. Died February 21, 1949.

R.W. Bro. William Silvy Cooper, Landmark Lodge, No. 44, Lashburn. Initiated, passed and raised, June 16, August 3, and September 17, 1911. Worshipful Master 1923; D.D.G.M. District No. 7 in 1930. Died February 25, 1949.

R.W. Bro. Ernest Edward Johnston was the brother referred to at the beginning of this report. He was a Charter Member of Rouleau Lodge, No. 40, coming from Wascana Lodge, No. 2, Regina, in 1907. He was Worshipful Master in 1909 and again in 1918, and was made an honorary life member of Corinthian Lodge, No. 72, Lumsden in February, 1947. He was installed as D.D.G.M. for District No. 2 at

the Communication of Grand Lodge, June, 1948. He had completed all of his official visits except to four of the Regina city lodges, and on his visit to N.W.M.P. Lodge, No. 11, on March 22, 1949, while standing at the Altar, and being officially received, he collapsed and died immediately. So far as is known this was the first occasion in Saskatchewan on which a D.D.G.M. had passed to the Grand Lodge Above, while in full regalia, carrying on the duties of his office, and making an official visit. R.W. Bro. Johnston was one of several Brethren who in 1905 journeyed to Regina with horse and buggy to become members of Wascana Lodge, then No. 23, G.R.M. When Rouleau Lodge was organized he became its first Senior Warden. Born in Malakoff, Ontario, he attended school there and at Kemptville, and also the Regina Normal School in 1901. He was municipal secretary at Rouleau for some years and in 1931 moved to Bethune, where he was secretary-treasurer of the Rural Municipality of Dufferin until his retirement in 1947. He was a valued member of the Bethune community, being secretary-treasurer of the United Church, choir leader and Sunday School superintendent, secretary-treasurer of the Red Cross, of the village and the rural telephone company.

R.W. Bro. Alexander Percival MacLean, Charter Member Emulation Lodge, No. 186, Regina, in 1926, coming from Assiniboine Lodge, No. 114 G.R.M., Winnipeg, where he was Worshipful Master. He became Grand Pursuivant of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in 1938, and D.D.G.M. District No. 2 in 1947. Died April 8, 1949. Born in Mount Pleasant, Ontario, he went to Winnipeg in 1915, as branch manager of the Canadian Packing Co., and in 1925 came to Regina as manager of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Creamery. Later he joined the staff of the London Life Insurance Co., and was a leading salesman. Always a faithful churchman he was Sunday School Superintendent of Knox Church. He had an outstanding spirit of friendliness. Having served as D.D.G.M. for 1947-48, he had taken over the unfinished duties of the late R.W. Bro. Johnston. He passed away in his sleep, April 8, 1949.

R.W. Bro. Thomas Hesketh, Cupar Lodge, No. 47; affiliating from Rolla Lodge, No. 66, North Dakota, December 13, 1921. Worshipful Master 1926; D.D.G.M. District No. 4 in 1947. Died April 20, 1949.

There were also seven Grand Lodge officers, carrying the rank of Very Worshipful.

V.W. Bro. William Alexander Stewart, Charter Member Admiral Lodge, No. 199, in 1930 coming from Acacia Lodge, No. 4, North Dakota, where he was Worshipful Master. He was Grand Steward in 1939. Died February 28, 1948.

V.W. Bro. George Hill, Charter Member Sinaluta Lodge, No. 14, in 1902 coming from Indian Head Lodge, No. 5. Worshipful Master 1938; Grand Steward 1946. Died March 4, 1948.

V.W. Bro. John George Todd Jennings, Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge, No. 4, Fort Qu'Appelle, affiliating from Corinthian Lodge, No. 333, Ontario, December 16, 1913. Worshipful Master 1917; Grand Steward 1945. Died March 11, 1948.

V.W. Bro. Anton B. Anderson, Azure Lodge, No. 122, Eastend. Initiated, passed and raised, June 28, August 30, and September 27, 1917. Worshipful Master 1927; Grand Steward 1946. Died August 17, 1948.

V.W. Bro. Robert Harvey, Goose Lake Lodge, No. 99, Delisle.

Initiated, passed and raised, January 11, February 22, and March 29, 1926. Worshipful Master 1934; Grand Senior Deacon 1946. Died August 21, 1948. Born in England he came to Saskatchewan in 1905, going to the Delisle district in 1908, where he farmed until 1946. He was secretary of his lodge for several years and gave it valued leadership. He was People's Warden of Christ Church, Delisle.

V.W. Bro. Werner Wettlaufer, Charter Member Cut Knife Lodge, No. 160, in 1920, coming from Abernethy Lodge No. 77, where he was initiated, passed and raised in 1911. Worshipful Master 1923; Grand Steward 1945. Died March 18, 1949. He was secretary of his Lodge for some time until ill-health compelled him to resign, and in November, 1948, was made a Life Member. He suffered a stroke in the morning and passed away at noon. He was highly regarded by his Brethren and has two sons in the Craft, W. Bro. W. W. and Bro. R. S. Wettlaufer.

In addition to the ten past Grand Lodge officers already mentioned, who were Charter Members of their respective Lodges, there were 23 other Charter Members who passed away during the year.

Bro. Augustus Morris McKay, Golden Fleece Lodge, No. 50, Halbrite, in 1908. Died February 7, 1948.

Bro. Alexander Welsh, York Lodge, No. 157, Churchbridge, in 1920. Died February 14, 1948.

W. Bro. James Walter Wickware, Banner Lodge, No. 154, Regina, in 1920. Died March 15, 1948.

Bro. John William Hares, Herschel Lodge, No. 189, in 1926. Died April 17, 1948.

W. Bro. James Archibald Fraser, Outlook Lodge, No. 65, in 1910. Died May 15, 1948.

W. Bro. Richard Nathaniel Kelly, Emulation Lodge, No. 186, Regina, in 1926. Died May 18, 1948.

W. Bro. Harold Harvey, King Solomon Lodge, No. 58, Kamsack, in 1909. Died May 21, 1948.

W. Bro. John Daniel Lawrence, Sovereign Lodge, No. 192, in 1928. Died June 1, 1948.

Bro. Arthur Mack, Viscount Lodge, No. 151, 1920. Fifty-year gold button 1945. Died June 29, 1948.

W. Bro. Henry George Haack, Lucky Lake Lodge, No. 187, in 1926. Died July 16, 1948.

Bro. William Randolph Holding, Cypress Lodge, No. 70, Gull Lake, in 1910. Died August 26, 1948.

Bro. John A. Sheppard, St. George Lodge, No. 136, Moose Jaw, in 1917. Died September 15, 1948.

Bro. Calvin Job Hammond, Aneroid Lodge, No. 111, in 1914. Died September 19, 1948.

Bro. Willard Filmore Chedister, Cadillac Lodge, No. 126, in 1916. Died October 11, 1948.

W. Bro. Peter McLean Gillis, Ashlar Lodge, No. 8, Whitewood, in 1890. Died October 27, 1948.

Bro. Henry Anderson, Radville Lodge, No. 175, in 1923. Died November 3, 1948.

W. Bro. George Chalmers, King Hiram Lodge, No. 104, Regina, in 1913. Died September 7, 1948.

Bro. Hans Christian Jensen, Kelvington Lodge, No. 179, in 1923. Died November 7, 1948.

Bro. Charles Andrew Bush, Ogema Lodge, No. 120, in 1915. Fifty-year gold button 1940. Died November 8, 1948.

Bro. Alexander Sutherland McKay, Viscount Lodge, No. 151, in 1920. Died November 22, 1948.

W. Bro. Joseph William Lord, Kindersley Lodge, No. 86, in 1911. Died January 1, 1949.

W. Bro. William Innes, Colfax Lodge, No. 198, in 1929. Died February 7, 1949.

Bro. Hugh James Darragh, Norquay Lodge, No. 178, in 1923. Died April 15, 1948.

Two others who proudly wore Freemasonry's Fifty-year gold button, but were not Charter Members were:

Bro. David Emanuel Spencer, Assiniboia Lodge, No. 49, Regina, affiliated March 21, 1910, from Verona Lodge, No. 365, Michigan. He received the Gold Button in 1943. Died June 25, 1948.

Bro. Stewart Mitchell, Bruce Lodge, No. 36, Francis, affiliating in 1908 from Dundee, Scotland, where he was made a Mason in February, 1882, coming to Saskatchewan the same year. He homesteaded in the Qu'Appelle district, and later moved to Francis in 1906. He saw the first train come through the district and was a veteran of the 1885 rebellion. He was said to hold the longest continuous Masonic membership in Saskatchewan, and received the Fifty-year gold button in 1938. He died February 5, 1949.

Saskatchewan Brethren now resident in Victoria, B.C., on May 15, 1949, observed their annual custom of decorating the graves of deceased Brethren, formerly of Saskatchewan Masonic Lodges, at the Royal Oak burial grounds.

The service was again under the direction of V.W. Bro. William Niblock. Short addresses were given by M.W. Bro. Archdeacon J. K. Irwin, and D.D.G.M. F. Tomlinson of Malahat Lodge, No. 107, B.C.

Flowers were placed on the graves of the following Brethren: R. W. Brewis, G. L. Hopkins, E. R. Jenkins, W. T. Mollard, A. Roberts, W. Scott, J. M. Shaw, and J. M. Young, Regina; M. L. Fairchild, H. Jagger, T. Miller and George Wilkins, Moose Jaw; W. H. Appleton, A. L. Bamford, and W. G. Watson, Saskatoon; E. E. Robinson, and F. G. Smith Melfort; A. H. Shaw, and J. C. Waddington, Weyburn; W. H. Smith, Elrose; G. B. Johnston, Strasbourg; F. Bowles, Rose-town; S. E. Minty, Climax; J. P. Dill, Wolseley; J. C. Crump, Pense; F. S. Proctor, Fort Qu'Appelle; J. E. Kilty, Francis; L. N. Nelson, Tisdale; R. L. Spencer, Unity; R. H. Ayre, Herschel.

The following Brethren from Saskatchewan were present: William Niblock, Albert Allen, and H. Taylor, Wascana Lodge, No. 2, Regina; R. R. Smart, J. Adam, A. N. McIndoe, and J. K. Irwin, Assiniboia Lodge No. 49, Regina; H. Brockway, N.W.M.P. Lodge, No. 11, Regina; A. Robins, King Hiram Lodge, No. 104, Regina; T. Mattick, Qu'Appelle Lodge, No. 6; W. J. Pully, Saskatchewan Lodge, No. 16, Saskatoon; J. E. Neely, and A. S. Worthen, Zealandia Lodge, No. 85; H. Maxwell,

Sovereign Lodge, No. 192; A. Hayes, Rosetown Lodge, No. 91; C. Grieve, Moose Jaw Lodge, No. 3; T. G. Clark, Melfort Lodge No. 18; J. McAllister, St. George, No. 136, Moose Jaw; P. S. Gosling, Battle Lodge, No. 19, Battleford; J. E. Chaplin, and E. Greenfield, Nanatah Lodge, No. 53, Balcarres; W. T. Gillings, Kelvington Lodge, No. 179; W. Michie, Outlook Lodge, No. 65; J. A. Wilson, Evergreen Lodge, No. 95, Harris; H. Smallshaw, Limerick Lodge, No. 109; J. M. Kiason, Grayson Lodge, No. 48. We are indebted to Bro. H. Taylor for this report.

There is a stream we all must cross,
The river of human years,
Now lying calm in the summer light,
Now splashed with the rain of tears.
Out from the Hills of God, it flows,
And on to the shadowless sea,
Where the noontide sun no shadow throws,
And time is Eternity.

M.W. Grand Master: This is the report of your committee on Necrology. It is a long list of Brethren who have climbed the hilltop and faced the setting sun. We recommend that suitable Memorial pages be included in the appendix to the proceedings of this Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

W. H. MOOR, Chairman.

Report of Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund

M.W. Bro. D. Fraser presented the report of the Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund which, on motion of M.W. Bros. D. Fraser and R. Young was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

Following the close of Grand Lodge on June 17th, 1948, the newly-constituted Board met for organization purposes. The following were duly elected:

President.....	M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser
Vice-President.....	M.W. Bro. Robert Young
Secretary.....	R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate

The annual full meeting was held at the Grand Secretary's office on March 30th, 1949. The enforced absence of M.W. Bro. Branion, owing to ill-health, and of M.W. Bros. Tate and Brooks was regretted. All new applications dealt with in the interim by the Executive, together with those formerly approved, were reviewed and appropriate action taken thereon. On June 14th, 1949, the full Board convened, dealt with grants added since the previous meeting and authorized the lists for the ensuing year. Appended are complete returns of all supplementary grants for the past Masonic year and particulars of those presently in force.

Audited statements giving full information of the affairs and standing of all funds administered by the Board were duly prepared and forwarded to all Lodges. We trust they have been analyzed and studied and that you are familiar with this great work of Benevolence

in which you as individuals are privileged to participate. We suggest that a profitable evening, preferably on "Benevolent Fund Night", devoted to this study, would afford much 'profit and pleasure' in your Lodge.

We acknowledge with grateful thanks the ready assistance given the Board by the Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau in connection with our beneficiaries resident on the West Coast. It is typical of the spirit of the Bureau that each Christmas it donates from its own funds to these Brethren more than the token vote of \$50.00 which the Board has passed each year. Our thanks is also due to numerous Brethren in other Jurisdictions who have generously rendered similar services in individual cases.

As in past years voluntary unsolicited contributions have been received thereby demonstrating "that virtue which may justly be denominated the distinguishing characteristic of a Mason's heart". With thanks we acknowledge the following gifts:

Macrorie Lodge No. 191—	
Benevolent Fund Collection Box	\$ 45.00
Britannia Lodge No. 23—Lloydminster	25.00
V.W. Bro. M. H. Kine—Macklin	4.80
R.W. Bro. D. M. McIntosh—Plenty,	
Return of expense cheque as D.D.G.M. . . .	64.00
Bro. T. W. Campain—Carnduff	5.00
	\$143.80

The following amounts have been refunded in connection with grants previously made:

Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3	\$ 60.00
Lodge Progress No. 92	37.50
	\$ 97.50

The usual study outline for use in the Lodges on "Benevolent Fund Night" was prepared by M.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion and published in the March issue of the "Tracing Board".

From the Educational Fund two grants to assist sons of Masons to continue their education have been made as follows:

Memorial Lodge No. 172	\$100.00
Rosetown Lodge No. 91	300.00
	\$400.00

In the latter case the Lodge has raised and contributed a like amount and has committed itself to donate a similar sum yearly for the ensuing three years.

While Nature in her boisterous moods unleashes mighty forces, which are suddenly spent, it is in silence and through the ages that the universe is moulded and shaped. A bolt of lightning strikes a rocky crag and is harmlessly deflected. On the same rock a pine cone falls. In the process of germination and growth tiny roots penetrate into the minute crevices. Time passes. Slowly, but surely, the puny twig becomes a stately tree and by the constant pressure of its roots, long-applied, the eternal rock is riven.

In like manner, my Brethren, the work of your Benevolence progresses. Working quietly and constantly; "faithfully applied": un-

heralded and often unrecognized, the sweet spirit of Charity will ultimately permeate the whole Brotherhood.

"All works are good and each is best
As most it pleases Thee,
Each worker pleases, when the rest,
He serves in Charity,
And neither man nor work unblest
Wilt Thou permit to be."

Fraternally submitted,

DOUGLAS FRASER, President.

During the year ending March 31st, 1949, \$18,114.90 has been paid out from the Fund for assistance, as follows:

No.	Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
2	Wascana	Mrs. G. H. D.	\$150.00
3	Moose Jaw	Mrs. E. C.	270.00
4	Qu'Appelle Valley	Mrs. J. G. C. J.	220.00
5	Indian Head	Bro. W. G. R.	162.00
5	Indian Head	Mrs. J. L.	390.00
5	Indian Head	Mrs. L. A. J.	324.00
6	Qu'Appelle	Mrs. E. R. D.	120.00
7	Moosomin	Bro. H. L. P.	112.50
9	Maple Leaf	Bro. J. A. M.	150.00
10	Evening Star	Mrs. R. M.	240.00
10	Evening Star	Mrs. E. E. E.	240.00
11	N.W.M.P.	Mrs. M. M.	240.00
12	Yorkton	Mrs. T. B.	180.00
13	Rosthern-Duck Lake	Bro. G. E. G.	160.00
18	Melfort	Bro. J. A. C.	180.00
19	Battle	Miss E. T.	144.00
23	Britannia	Mrs. E. R. S.	162.00
24	Wolseley	Bro. W. J.	270.00
25	Estevan	Bro. G. A. H.	180.00
25	Estevan	Mrs. M. L. M.	240.00
26	Swift Current	Mrs. J. H.	180.00
26	Swift Current	Bro. W. A. M.	36.00
32	Golden Rule	Mrs. H. L. C.	240.00
33	Davidson	Bro. G. W. Z.	120.00
35	Prince Rupert	Bro. J. B.	240.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. B.	216.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. L. P.	120.00
43	Ishpaming	Mrs. W. F. R.	90.00
48	Grayson	Mrs. L. B.	240.00
49	Assiniboia	Mrs. E. A. M.	240.00
53	Nanatah	Bro. J. K. I.	540.00
55	Craik	Mrs. G. P. N.	225.00
59	Canora	Mrs. D. S.	234.00
60	Imperial	Miss M. M.	480.00
62	Melville	Bro. J. I.	108.00
62	Melville	Mrs. C. V. M.	120.00
64	Manitou	Mrs. F. K. H.	99.90
68	Govan	Mrs. F. N. A.	45.00
69	Carrot River	Mrs. J. B.	420.00

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71	Doric	Mrs. D. W.	240.00
73	Unity	Bro. W. P.	480.00
77	Abernethy	Mrs. M. D.	240.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. L. J. S.	300.00
83	Meridian	Mrs. A. C. P.	360.00
84	Lanigan	Mrs. E. M.	300.00
85	Zealandia	Mrs. J. R.	108.00
85	Zealandia	Mrs. E. E.	324.00
87	Wadena	Bro. A. P. D.	132.00
90	Kerrobot	Mrs. C. H. D. S.	360.00
92	Lodge Progress	Bro. P. H.	180.00
92	Lodge Progress	Bro. F. M. J.	30.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. G. L. L.	180.00
95	Evergreen	Mrs. J. H.	240.00
97	Radisson	Bro. W. A. W.	275.00
103	Composite	Mrs. F. C.	156.00
104	King Hiram	Mrs. F. F.	252.00
107	Mortlach	Mrs. M. E. S.	240.00
114	Central Butte	Mrs. H. W. J.	270.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. H. P.	108.00
123	Lancer	Bro. W. C. M.	108.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. J. M.	108.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. A. M.	180.00
125	Latomia	Mrs. A. B.	60.00
131	Dinston	Bro. W. M.	360.00
133	Philathea	Bro. J. R.	40.00
136	St. George	Mrs. M. P.	360.00
138	Kincaid	Mrs. R. T. M.	90.00
139	Riverhurst	Bro. W. B.	225.00
141	Progressive	Mrs. G. B. F.	240.00
143	Hawarden	Mrs. J. A. W.	240.00
143	Hawarden	Mrs. A. E. B.	228.00
147	Elstow	Mrs. H. R. S.	144.00
147	Elstow	Mrs. J. M.	144.00
151	Viscount	Bro. A. S. M.	120.00
152	Star City	Mrs. M.	360.00
152	Star City	Mrs. F. M. M.	180.00
164	Milestone	Mrs. D. H.	240.00
165	St. Luke's	Mrs. J. G. K.	240.00
172	Memorial	Mrs. W. B.	82.50
174	St. Andrew's	Bro. W. L.	168.00
179	Kelvington	Bro. T. H. C.	336.00
182	Lonach	Mrs. T.	144.00
184	Osage	Bro. O. M. L.	210.00
185	Loyalty	Mrs. J. B.	220.00
199	Admiral	Bro. A. C. K.	180.00

At a meeting on March 31st, 1949, the reports from the various Lodges in receipt of grants were reviewed and the following grants passed for the year 1949-50:

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2	Wascana	Mrs. G. H. D.	\$150.00
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36	Bruce	Mrs. J. B.	216.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. L. P.	120.00
43	Ishpaming	Mrs. W. F. R.	120.00
48	Grayson	Mrs. L. B.	240.00
49	Assiniboia	Mrs. E. A. M.	240.00
53	Nanatah	Bro. J. K. I.	600.00
55	Craik	Mrs. G. P. N.	300.00
59	Canora	Mrs. D. S.	312.00
60	Imperial	Miss M. M.	480.00
62	Melville	Bro. J. I.	108.00
62	Melville	Mrs. C. V. M.	120.00
68	Govan	Mrs. F. N. A.	270.00
69	Carrot River	Mrs. J. B.	300.00
71	Doric	Mrs. D. W.	240.00
73	Unity	Bro. W. P.	480.00
77	Abernethy	Mrs. M. D.	240.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. L. J. S.	300.00
83	Meridian	Mrs. A. C. P.	360.00
84	Lanigan	Mrs. E. G.	300.00
85	Zealandia	Mrs. J. E. E.	324.00
85	Zealandia	Mrs. J. R.	432.00
90	Kerrobert	Mrs. C. H. D. S.	360.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. G. L. L.	180.00
95	Evergreen	Mrs. J. H.	240.00
97	Radisson	Bro. W. A. W.	300.00
103	Composite	Mrs. F. C.	156.00
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125	Latomia	Mrs. A. B.	48.00
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165	St. Luke's.....	Mrs. J. G. K.....	240.00
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185	Loyalty.....	Mrs. J. B.....	240.00
199	Admiral.....	Bro. A. C. K.....	180.00

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Appreciation

On motion of M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay and R.W. Bro. W. O. Fraser it was resolved that "This Grand Lodge express its thanks and appreciation to the Trustees of the Benevolent Fund for their very excellent administration of the Fund and for the time and patience expended in so doing".

Report of Board of Custodians

M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig presented the report of the Board of Custodians, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. N. R. Craig and A. O. Brooks, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M. Brethren:

A meeting of the Board of Custodians of the Work was held in the Grand Lodge Office, Regina, on Friday, May 27th, 1949, at 2:00 p.m. Present: N. R. Craig, Chairman, D. Fraser; A. O. Brooks; F. C. Hayes; Robt. A. Tate, Secretary; and F. C. Wilson, Grand Master.

The Secretary read the minutes of the meetings held on June 17th, 1947, and June 15th, 1948, and on motion of D. Fraser and A. O. Brooks the said minutes were confirmed.

The Secretary read the following resolution from the Past Masters' Association of Prince Albert:

"That it would be advantageous for the Junior Officers to state their own duties in the opening ceremonies, instead of this duty being assigned to the Wardens. And that the Custodians of the Work be urgently requested to give this resolution their favourable and early consideration."

We assumed that the Junior Officers meant the Tyler, Inner Guard and the two Deacons whose duties are stated in the opening ceremonies by the Senior and Junior Wardens. On examining the work of the other Canadian Jurisdictions we do not find uniformity. Some have our method, some have a mixed method and none have in its entirety the method suggested by the resolution.

One objection to the proposed method is that the Tyler would have to be called from his post. The objection which most influenced your Board is that unless it is very important it is undesirable to

make changes in the ritual. For all the years of this Grand Lodge we have been striving for province-wide uniformity in our work. Every change makes this task more prolonged. We believe too that before any change is made there should be a widespread demand for it from the Brethren. We have not become aware that the statement of the duties of the Junior Officers by the Wardens instead of by the Junior Officers themselves has resulted in any laxity or inefficiency of these Junior Officers.

The above resolution was, as appears from the foregoing, discussed at considerable length and on motion of A. O. Brooks and F. C. Hayes it was resolved that:

"The Board of Custodians do not recommend the adoption of the changes in ritual as proposed therein."

The Secretary read a communication from W. Bro. M. Herman, Davidson, requesting a decision with respect to the position of the Altar in relation to the letter "G".

On motion of D. Fraser and A. O. Brooks it was resolved that:

"In view of the reference in the prescribed work for closing in the Second Degree indicating clearly that the letter "G" must be suspended in the centre of the lodge and in the opening in the Third Degree similarly indicating that it is opened on the centre and the V.S.L. being on the Altar it follows that the Altar should be in the centre of the lodge room and the Board so rules."

The Secretary intimated that it had been suggested to him that it would be of great assistance to Lodges if a suitable Memorial Scroll were drafted by the Board of Custodians and copies available for use by Lodges on the occasion of a Masonic funeral. On motion of F. C. Hayes and D. Fraser it was resolved that the Secretary be requested to prepare a suggested Memorial Scroll for submission to the Board at its 1950 meeting.

The Secretary intimated that in his opinion it was desirable that on the next printing of copies of the Work prominent reference should be embodied therein as to the copies being the property of Grand Lodge. On motion of A. O. Brooks and F. C. Hayes it was resolved that the Secretary be authorized to have the following item appear on page 2 of the next printing of copies of the Work:

"This Book is the sole property of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M., and on death of the holder thereof must be forwarded forthwith to the Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M., Regina, Saskatchewan."

The desirability of our Funeral Ceremony being revised was discussed by the Board. On motion of D. Fraser and F. C. Hayes it was resolved that:

"A. O. Brooks be Chairman of a committee, with power to add, to deal with a revision of the Funeral Ceremony and report to the Board from time to time."

There being no further business the Board was closed at 3:20 p.m.

Fraternally submitted,

N. R. CRAIG, Chairman.

Masonic Pioneers

The Grand Master announced that M.W. Bros. W. B. Tate and Robert Young were the only two Brethren in attendance who were present at the organization meeting of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in 1906 and at each succeeding Annual Communication. The Brethren of Grand Lodge gave an enthusiastic demonstration of the affection and esteem in which they held these veteran Craftsmen.

Motion—Pursuant to Notice

It was moved by M.W. Bros. D. Fraser and R. Young that the Constitution (1946) be amended as follows:

1. Section 72—By adding after the words "Benevolent Fund", in line 19 thereof, the words "and Benefit Fund".

2. Section 99—By substituting for the word "Benevolent", where it appears in the second last line thereof, the word "Benefit".

3. By adding to Rules of Grand Lodge, after Rule 11 thereof, the following:

BENEFIT FUND

There shall be forthwith established a special Fund to be known as the Benefit Fund, the capital and income whereof shall be used for assistance in any case or cases of need, charity and/or emergency arising anywhere and at any time.

In the administration of the said Fund the following Rules shall be adhered to:

1. The said Fund shall be a special fund within the provisions of Rule 11 of the Rules of Grand Lodge (Benevolent Fund) and administered as therein provided.
2. The capital and income in excess of current requirements may be invested in securities defined by the Trustee Act of the Province of Saskatchewan.
3. Investment shall be made in the name of GRAND LODGE OF SASKATCHEWAN ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS.
4. All legal documents pertaining to the investment of this fund shall be signed by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary under the seal of the Grand Lodge.
5. It shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund to receive and examine the report of the auditor as submitted under Section 72 of this Constitution.
6. The necessary disbursements in connection with the management of the Fund and grants shall be made only upon the requisition of the President and Secretary of the said Board of Trustees. The said disbursements shall be made by cheque and counter-signed by the President or Secretary of the said Board of Trustees and signed by the Grand Treasurer or such other person as the Trustees may from time to time appoint.
7. The Trustees, on request of any Mason or Lodge or on the application of any person or organization or on their own motion, may make grants from the said Fund.
8. The duties and responsibilities of the Trustees as such shall be defined only by the foregoing Rules as are from time to time in force.

9. Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 32 and 33 of this Constitution, Grand Lodge, by a majority vote of the Members present and voting may at any time vary, extend, and/or alter the purpose or object of, and/or dissolve, divert or otherwise deal with the said Fund or any part thereof.
10. This amendment shall be retroactive to March 1st, 1949.

V.W. Bro. M. H. Kine and W. Bro. S. N. Horner moved an amendment that the following be deleted from Clause 7: "or on the application of any person or organization."

On the amendment being put it was declared lost.

On the motion being put it was declared carried.

The hour having arrived for adjournment, the Grand Master declared Grand Lodge adjourned until 9.00 a.m., Thursday, June 16th.

Banquet

The Regina Masonic Council, representing the seven Regina City Lodges, sponsored the Annual Banquet which was attended by some three hundred Brethren. Bro. F. G. Burtwell acted as Chairman. Among those seated at the head table were: M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, Grand Master; M.W. Bro. Fred I. Mills, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois; M.W. Bro. Frank A. Copus, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario; M.W. Bro. Stephen A. Holt, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana; M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gill, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota; M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba; R.W. Bro. Hugh A. Innes, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba; M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta; M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate (Dean of Past Grand Masters and Fifty Year Veteran); M.W. Bros. Robert Young, W. J. Smith, Douglas Fraser, F. C. Hayes, J. C. Carter; R.W. Bros. W. H. Moor, Deputy Grand Master; F. Hedley Auld, Grand Senior Warden; R. R. McEwen, Grand Junior Warden; Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary; Bishop E. H. Knowles, Grand Chaplain.

The Brethren enjoyed a half hour of delightful music presented by the Wa Wa Chanters under the leadership of Bro. Ernest A. Moore. During the course of the evening Barbara Ann Scott, World Champion Figure Skater, was presented and spoke briefly.

The evening provided for renewal of friendships, general fraternization, and relaxation from the business activities of Grand Lodge.

R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate introduced the Guest Speaker, M.W. Bro. Fred I. Mills, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, who addressed the Brethren as follows:

Human life is a continuous and complex adventure; it is an adventure from the very beginning; from the first notice the new born babe takes of a light or a moving object that comes within the range of its limited vision, the adventure of life begins; it has discovered something new, something it has never seen or experienced before; therefore it becomes interested, and no doubt in its tiny and

undeveloped mind wonders what that strange object is, and in its inexperienced way attempts to examine it.

As it grows older it becomes interested in everything it sees; everything is new, unexplored and strange; so it must be investigated, touched if possible, and even put in its mouth if mother is not near to prevent; it is an adventure to explore things, and so learn by exploring.

What is adventure if it is not discovering things that are new; seeing things we have never seen before; living through experiences we have not known before; thinking thoughts we have not thought before; making friends we have not possessed before; living life as we have never lived it before; so it is all through our span of life; the adventure of making a home and establishing a family; the adventure of being an active factor in community life; the adventure in providing for our loved ones; the adventure in being a part of the fraternal and religious life in the community in which we live; and then finally the Great Adventure of finishing this life and entering upon the one just across the river; certainly life is just one grand adventure from the very beginning to the final end.

I do not mean to infer that all life's adventures are pleasant ones; far from it; all our days are not days of sunshine; perhaps we might weary of the sameness if they were; there must be cloudy ones occasionally, some even stormy; yes some so dark at times we have difficulty in seeing the way; some so rough and the path so steep we must have assistance from those who are strong, who know the way and love their fellowman.

I think most of us will agree the gods of good fortune are generous in giving us many more days of sunshine than dark and gloomy ones; many days of good health, a sane mind and a happy spirit; days when we have the blessed privilege of rendering service to our fellows and to our God; pleasant, happy days; days of adventure in real living.

One of the greatest contributing elements in bringing into our lives these days of sunshine and happiness is found in the service we render to others, not that we may gain in material things or further our own selfish interests, but from the satisfaction that comes to the mind and heart because of the desire and opportunity to serve.

There is a certain Service Club that has for its motto these words; "Service above self" and "He profits most who serves best"; highly idealistic you may say; perhaps so, and yet we are told that low aim and not failure is crime; no one ever climbed a mountain by going down into a valley; we do not climb by looking downward; rather we may become dizzy and fall; neither do we progress by looking backward; our adventure is always before us; remember what happened to Lot's wife when she stopped to consider the past: **THE SUN IS RISING IN THE EAST AND THEREIN LIES OUR DAY.**

You and I have the adventure of living in a Free Land, under a form of government that permits freedom of assembly, freedom of thought and speech, freedom of worship without any restraint or hinderance, conceived and builded by our forefathers and handed down to us because of the great sacrifices they were willing to make; a priceless heritage that we must guard and protect even to the giving of life itself if we are to prove ourselves worthy sons of our fathers; our America is young in years as we know them, and yet it has made far greater advances in living standards, in development of

natural resources, in production of foods to feed a hungry world, in methods of transportation, in educational systems, and in general enlightenment of our citizens, than any other nation ancient or modern; America leads and will continue to lead the world.

All of these virtues that are so much a part of our Freedom, are the result of the spirit of adventure that is so much a part of every American Citizen, a heritage that you and I prize very highly, and that knows no lines or boundaries established by men.

Each of us is interested in a particular phase of this adventure; we are interested in an Organization that can exist only in a land of freedom; an Organization that has for its objective the development of the finest and best moral character and culture through a fellowship and inspiration as taught in our formal ceremonies; the virtue of brotherly love, of relief for those in distress, of honesty and truthfulness in our transactions with all men, of temperance in our everyday living, of fortitude in our stand for that which is right, of prudence in regulating our lives and actions, and of justice in our contacts with our fellows consistent with Divine and human laws; these are the foundation stones upon which our Fraternity is builded; these virtues we endeavor to teach by symbols, by allegory and by drama, portrayed in a manner intended to make a deep and lasting impression on the mind of the novice, and inspire in him a desire for a better, purer and more useful life.

These virtues are fundamental; they have existed from the beginning and will continue to the end; it is not in the power of any man or body of men to make innovations that would alter or change them; they are God given and are a part of His plan as it relates to mankind.

When His plan fails in our relationship with each other, in the relationship of one class as opposed to another, in the relationship of one nation with another, it is not because the plan is imperfect or was wrongly conceived, but because man is imperfect, because his soul has not become enriched in its spiritual growth and development to the perfection as set forth in these fundamental tenets; he either has not learned or he does not practise them.

Almost every day we read of an airplane crash; one, ten, twenty or perhaps forty lives snuffed out in an instant; (408) Decoration Day, they are happening with such frequency they are appalling; many are losing their lives each year in automobile accidents; the number is also appalling.

In the investigation of a recent airplane crash, the co-pilot, who survived the disaster, testified that the cause of the tragedy was "control failure".

I wonder if the cause of most of the wrecks and tragedies in the lives of men and nations, is not control failure; failure on the part of men to control their desire for power, for position, for wealth, to the detriment of others; failure on the part of nations to recognize the rights of those who are small and weak; failure on the part of both men and nations to observe the oft repeated admonition to "do unto others as you would that they should do unto you".

May I be so bold as to make the statement that what the world lacks today, what humanity lacks and needs most, is Spiritual Control? Can it be possible that in our quest for material gain, in our eagerness to acquire more and more of this world's goods, we are drifting away from the things that are fundamental to our Spiritual welfare? To me it becomes more and more evident as I see multitudes

of people becoming victims of their own selfish desires and passions, and neglecting the essentials that have made North America the great Christian force it is in the world today.

Some may ask, what does all this have to do with our Freemasonry; has our Fraternity entered upon a mission to save the world? My reply would be contained in another question: what objective was in my thinking when I petitioned for the degrees in Masonry? What was Masonry to do for me; would it become a stronger and more effective organization because of my life and influence as a Mason; or was I interested solely in becoming a member of a degree team to the exclusion of other considerations? I feel I may be permitted safely to say that each of us had a genuine desire to improve ourselves and thereby become an asset to Freemasonry, and so of the world of our day.

We have been taught that Masonry is a science, a progressive and a moral science, a philosophy of life; by progressive I like to think of it as being alive, active, virile, interested in the welfare not only of its members, but in a larger sense, of all mankind; it is moral rather than spiritual in that it strives to impress on the minds of its members their responsibility toward living a clean, upright and moral life; it is a science because of the fact its principles have existed from the beginning and will continue until time shall be no more; by precept and example, by word and especially by deed, its members are to exemplify this science, this philosophy of living; in reality a reverence for God and love for our fellowmen.

If it is to continue to be a progressive science it must ever be alert in helping to meet the problems of this rapidly changing age in which we live; its membership must be found moving forward as a solid phalanx against those forces that have for their objective the destruction of those liberties and freedoms that were bought at so great sacrifice and have come to us as a priceless heritage; to be considered worthy sons we must transmit them to those who shall follow us with the same scrupulous purity as when we received them.

And yet I find some who strongly oppose any change in what may be considered our passive approach to these dangers; surely it cannot be true that Masonry is static while the whole world in every other field is moving rapidly ahead, continually entering upon adventures; the developments in science since the beginning of the present century far exceed that of the previous 10,000 years; many of us have lived and observed the advance made in the past 50 years, and what an interesting period it has been; that which is new and modern today is obsolete tomorrow; the first atomic bomb was an antique when it was exploded as an experiment in the desert of a southwestern State; think for a moment of the changes that have taken place during your life, socially and scientifically, truly we are living in a changing world, and how difficult it is to keep abreast as the years creep upon us.

All this advancement has developed as the fruit of the human brain; discoveries and inventions that were not dreamed of by our fathers of half a century ago, are a reality and often common place to you and me, and we are inclined to the thought there is much that lies beyond waiting only the stress of necessity.

Can it be possible the human brain which has demonstrated so fully its ability to solve the hidden secrets of science, is not capable of solving the moral laws of God as they relate to our association and intercourse with our fellows?

It has been demonstrated that in material accomplishments the limit is almost beyond conception, and yet in the short space of a quarter of a century it has also been demonstrated we have not yet solved the problem of living at peace with others of God's creation, who perhaps are just as precious in His love as we are.

Our Freemasonry had much to do toward bringing the liberty of today into being in this world; Freemasons have always been lovers of and sponsors for all liberties — social, civil, intellectual and religious; they were among the earliest emigrants to America; they came seeking those liberties that were denied them under the tyrannical systems of government prevailing in most of the countries of the world during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries; in their quests for these liberties they were willing to endure the dangers and hardships of a new and an unknown land; their experience was truly an adventure in living.

For a thousand years the nations of the world had been struggling through darkness; human slavery, tyranny, torture and persecution and prevailed through the dark ages, then came the period of the Reformation; an intellectual awakening began to appear faintly on the horizon; we began to think for ourselves and by doing so, slowly and gradually came to know the sweets of personal and intellectual liberty.

This transition, in reality and intellectual revolution, continued into the beginning of the 18th century, when Freemasonry as we know it today, began to crystalize in the hearts of men, and became a recognized Institution by the Organization of the Mother Grand Lodge of England in the year 1717; from the first and because of its very nature, it has been opposed to totalitarianism both in Church and State, realizing from the experience of the past that true liberty cannot exist under such a system; no totalitarian government, either civil or religious would ever permit civil, intellectual or religious freedom.

In the face of such very unfavorable and discouraging conditions, a Grand Lodge of Masons was formed that declared itself for liberty of worship and of conscience — really a most courageous stand on the part of those leaders, an adventure that might have cost them their lives.

Well do we know the success of their efforts; time has long since proven they had builded on a sure foundation; you and I are direct heirs to this so great heritage; it is ours to use daily; it is ours to improve where improvements can and should be made; it is ours to cultivate and expand; our responsibility is great, but with Divine leadership and assistance, we shall carry on to the end of our day.

The service we render Him as we labor in the Masonic vineyard thus enters into our life's adventures; the field is broad and long; it is ever ripe unto the harvest; our labors are our daily acts as they relate to God and our fellowman; we do not observe a forty hour week; neither is there extra reward for overtime; it is a full time job with full time responsibility; the Great Creator is the time keeper and the Superintendent.

I like to think of Him as keeping a great ledger, one large enough to set aside a page for every individual of His creation; on one side of the page has been entered a list of the blessing, the obligations and duties that each receive; on the opposite side are the credits we receive for the manner in which these responsibilities are met; each day the record is entered, whether it be a debit or a credit, every day it must be posted.

Occasionally He checks my account; in my fancy I can see Him as He brings forth the great book from the vault, places it on the table provided for that purpose just in front of the throne and turns to the page where my name is recorded, perhaps just a little anxiously, for He remembers that as yet I am a human being subject to the many weaknesses that beset humanity; I watch the expression of His face as he scans the page, and I behold the untold rapture that appears telling me by that expression I have accomplished something in His Service for the benefit of my fellows.

But sometimes as I watch when He opens the book, I see a different expression, one of disappointment and regret, even of sorrow, and as He slowly closes the volume I know I have failed Him; He is grieved because of my shortcomings, humanity has not been helped because of my negligence, and I have not been strengthened in order that I might better meet the next opportunity; it is only through His leadership, supported by a Christian faith, and with charity in our hearts, that we may receive His Divine approbation.

That noted American sculptor, Gutzon Borglum, who added so much to his fame by carving the faces of four great leaders in the United States on the rugged cliffs of Mt. Rushmore, once made this significant statement; when I carve a statue I do not cut the figure from the stone, I simply chisel away that which is superfluous, the figure is already there.

The spirit of goodness and the image of God is in each of us, a part of our creation; we must eliminate those not essential elements that are not qualities necessary for the building of our spiritual character.

Shall we not then "so live, that when our summons comes to join that innumerable caravan, we will go, not like the quarry slave at night, scourged to his dungeon, but sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust, we will approach our bed as one who wraps the draperies of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams".

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 9.00 a.m. on Thursday, June 16th; M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Nominations

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the Grand Secretary declared the following written nominations, in each case signed by a Member of Grand Lodge, had been delivered to him by 10 p.m., Wednesday, June 15th, as provided in Section 36.

Grand Senior Warden: R. R. McEwen (69).

Grand Junior Warden: E. C. Bird (174), A. Faust (87), A. Greaves (144), R. L. Hanbidge (90), G. H. Hummel (133).

Grand Treasurer: W. J. Smith (2).

Grand Secretary: Robt. A. Tate (11).

Grand Registrar: A. S. Pipes (3).

Board of General Purposes: A. M. Bell (74), E. C. Bird (174), W. E. Bristowe (1), P. K. Brown (20), A. Greaves (144), R. L. Hanbidge (90), G. H. Hummel (133), T. Luke (12).

Trustees Benevolent Fund: F. C. Hayes (26), R. Young (1).

Greetings

The following telegram was read from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Iowa: "The Grand Lodge of Iowa extends a fraternal handclasp across our friendly border to the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in its Annual Communication."

Report of Credential Committee

R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes presented the report of the Credential Committee, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. A. S. Pipes and S. R. Stephens, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Credential Committee have pleasure in submitting the following report at this the forty-third Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

There are 204 Lodges on the Register, of which twelve have the Worshipful Master and both Wardens in attendance. There are fifty-five Lodges not represented. There are eighty-one Worshipful Masters and eighty-one Wardens, with two hundred and fifty-three Past Masters in attendance—a total of four hundred and fifteen Representatives, carrying a vote of six hundred and twenty-seven.

The total representation is higher than last year but still the number of Masters and Wardens is much below what it should be. We again suggest that this lack of attendance should be drawn to the attention of the District Meetings.

Fraternally submitted,

A. S. PIPES, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Masonic History

M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks presented the report of the Committee on Masonic History which, on motion of M.W. Bros. A. O. Brooks and J. O. Clarke, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The first duty of your Committee, to prepare a biographical sketch of our Grand Master, was duly performed.

It is the hope of your Committee to have a History of Masonry in Saskatchewan written by some skilled Brother, but before this can be done many Constituent Lodges must send in the necessary information to complete the records for same. We would suggest that some Brother in each Lodge make this interesting duty a hobby and thus render a valuable contribution to his own Lodge history as well as to that of Grand Lodge. Especially we urge new Lodges to collect and preserve all information relative to their formation and historical backgrounds.

We acknowledge the following, to be placed in the Grand Lodge Museum:

One copper coin, struck in the year 1790, in commemoration of the Prince of Wales, who at that time was being installed as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England. This was sent in by the Secretary of Wapella Lodge No. 37, R.W. Bro. J. C. Tocher.

One very fine Indian beadwork Masonic Apron, made by
Mrs. Baptiste McLeod of the Sakimay Reserve, Grenfell.
This was presented by Bro. W. J. Patterson.

Fraternally submitted,
A. O. BROOKS, Chairman.

Election of Officers

The hour having arrived for the election of Officers, the Grand Master appointed M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter, R.W. Bros. C. C. Cameron, W. T. Morphy, E. S. Weekes, W. Bros. J. F. Bell, C. E. Bradley, J. R. Conn, F. E. Smith-Jones, G. S. Macdonald, C. F. Gilhespy, and Bro. L. S. McLellan, scrutineers.

The result of the ballot was as follows:

R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor (16)	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. F. Hedley Auld (186)	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. R. R. McEwen (69)	Grand Senior Warden
R.W. Bro. E. C. Bird (174)	Grand Junior Warden
M.W. Bro. W. J. Smith (2)	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate (11)	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes (3)	Grand Registrar
V.W. Bro. T. H. Reeve (16)	Grand Tyler

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The following Brethren were elected to the Board of General Purposes for two years: A. M. Bell (74), W. E. Bristowe (1), P. K. Brown (20), R. L. Hanbidge (90), G. H. Hummel (133); and for one year A. Greaves (144).

TRUSTEES OF BENEVOLENT FUND

The following Brethren were elected Trustees of the Benevolent Fund for the ensuing three years: F. C. Hayes (26), R. Young (1).

Distinguished Guest

M.W. Bro. Stephen A. Holt, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana was called on and briefly addressed Grand Lodge. He conveyed the felicitations and greetings of M.W. Bro. Henry O. Morgan and the Brethren of Montana. He expressed his personal pleasure at being present and referred to the presentation of those two great symbols of democracy and freedom, the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack. He suggested that these flags represented freedom, democracy and all that was truly worthwhile. Bro. Holt also referred to the close bond of friendship and understanding that existed as between our respective Jurisdictions.

Report of Committee on Masonic Education

R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, on behalf of W. Bro. J. E. Campbell, presented the report of the Committee on Masonic Education, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. Robt. A. Tate and L. A. Hubbs, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

It is my pleasure and privilege to present the report of your Committee on Masonic Education.

The following constituted the Committee for 1948-9; R.W. Bro. F. Hedley Auld, R.W. Bro. W. W. Snider, R.W. Bro. A. W. Ingram, W. Bro. E. W. Van Blaricom, W. Bro. L. T. Carmichael, Bro. P. Greig, W. Bro. J. E. Campbell, Chairman, M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Secretary.

The material prepared in the course of the past year and published in the Tracing Board was as follows:

September—The Volume of the Sacred Law.

October—The Antiquity of Freemasonry.

November—The Grand Lodge Proceedings 1948.

December—Milestones in Masonry.

January—Tubal Cain.

February—A Quiz on "The History of Freemasonry".

March—The Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund.

April—Freemasonry—The Champion of Liberty.

May—Freemasonry's Attitude to Religion.

June—The Ornaments of the Lodge.

July—The W.M. and his Principal Officers.

We are of the opinion that not enough time is being devoted to Masonic Education in our Lodges at the present time. In the charge to the W.M. on Installation he is reminded that it is his duty to instruct the Brethren of his Lodge. Now, instruction to be effective must be planned. It should be definite, deliberate and not merely incidental.

It was recommended in our last report that each Lodge should purchase two or three standard books on Masonic topics every year. A small library of well selected books is a valuable asset to any Lodge. Sources of information should be available for the new Brethren to develop and stimulate their interest in the history, philosophy and symbolism of the Order.

It is earnestly recommended that every Lodge endeavour to devote some time, even a few minutes, every month to the material provided in the Tracing Board by this Committee or to topics, questions, etc., assigned by its own Education Committee.

Your Committee would like to express its appreciation of the responsibility you have seen fit to place in its hands and also to express the hope that the task has been satisfactorily performed.

At this time we should like to express our thanks to the Grand Secretary and his office staff for their assistance and co-operation.

Fraternally submitted,

J. E. CAMPBELL, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Freemasonry and Youth

R.W. Bro. R. R. McEwen presented the report of the Committee on Freemasonry and Youth, which, on motion of R.W. Bro. R. R. McEwen and M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

The Committee on Freemasonry and Youth met in Regina in August, 1948, with all members present. Each was accompanied by a youth, who had been invited from his district. These boys had attended one or more Youth functions, and they were encouraged at this meeting to make suggestions and to give their impressions of

this movement. We judged from their remarks that our youth program was fulfilling its purpose, and worthy of increased effort.

Our program of the previous year was revised, with a view to increasing the appeal to Youth, and to give increased guidance to the Lodges. A copy of the program was mailed to each of the two hundred and four Lodges and to each of the seventeen D.D.G.M's.

To keep our Masons ever mindful of our Youth Movement, each of our Committee men in turn prepared an article for publication in our Freemasonry and Youth column which appears monthly in the Tracing Board. Two of these articles were prepared by the youth who attended our Committee meeting.

Our Chairman had the privilege of meeting with the D.D.G.M's. and acquainting them with the aims and objectives of the Youth program. The Committee deeply appreciates the co-operation given by these men.

Reports indicate a substantial increase in the number of Youth functions held this past year. Also, a marked improvement in the quality of the programs has been noted.

Many Masons throughout the province have taken a keen interest in this work and have given generously of their time and effort, both in organizing and in speaking. Our Committee appreciates the extent to which these men have influenced the success of this movement, and we are most grateful.

Another year is at hand, and once again gives to Freemasonry an opportunity to further their efforts in this all important work. Let us ever keep in mind that "The hope of tomorrow is the Youth of today".

Fraternally submitted,

R. R. McEWEN, Chairman.

Report of the Eighth Annual Conference of Officers of the Four Western Grand Lodges

R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor submitted the following report, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. W. H. Moor and M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay, was received and ordered printed in the Proceedings:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.
Brethren:

It is my duty as Deputy Grand Master to submit a report of the Eighth Annual Inter-Provincial Conference, of the four Western Grand Jurisdictions, held at Banff, Alberta, September 9th, 10th and 11th, 1948.

As an initiate attending for the first time, I was impressed with the possibilities of the cumulative Masonic knowledge possessed by the delegates, and at the same time I was made to realize that this was a gathering of skilled Master Masons, such as might be found in any of our lodges throughout the Grand Jurisdictions.

Right at the commencement it was emphasized that this was not a class room where one would listen to lectures, but in every sense a conference, where experience and ideas would be exchanged and discussed. Under no circumstances were the findings to be legislative, and there should be no suggestion of invasion of or interference with the individual sovereignty of any Grand Lodge.

All sessions were held in the lodge room of Cascade Lodge, No. 5, Banff, which was generously loaned for the purpose. The Conference was under the chairmanship of the president, M.W. Bro. W. C. Mc-

Donald, Grand Master of Manitoba. The vice-president was M.W. Bro. Dr. William Henry, Grand Master of Alberta, M.W. Bro. George F. Ellis, Past Grand Master of Alberta, was secretary.

Other delegates present, in addition to the officers, were: British Columbia, M.W. Bro. George H. Ellis, G.M., and R.W. Bro. J. Murray Mitchell, G.J.W.; Manitoba, R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, D.G.M., and M.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Secretary; Alberta, M.W. Bro. A. D. Cumming, P.G.M., R.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, D.G.M., M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Secretary, and Bro. S. E. Knight, J.W., who reported the proceedings verbatim.

Saskatchewan was represented by M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson, G.M.; M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay, P.G.M.; R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor, D.G.M.; and R.W. Bro. Hedley Auld, G.S.W., substituting for the Grand Secretary, who was unable to attend, and Bro. George E. Robins, editor of the Tracing Board.

Distinguished guests were R.W. Bro. J. P. Maher, D.G.M., and M.W. Bro. Charles S. Hamilton, P.G.M. from the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario; M.W. Bro. H. C. Morgan, G.M. from the Grand Lodge of Montana; M.W. Bro. W. J. Hunter, G.M. from the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. Bro. F. M. Terry, of California Lodge, San Francisco, and W. Bro. Cyril E. Shaw, W.M. of Cascade Lodge, were visitors.

Thursday evening was a fraternal hour which afforded an opportunity for acquaintanceship. A warm welcome was extended by W. Bro. Cyril E. Shaw, Master of Cascade Lodge.

Friday morning the first paper presented for discussion was entitled "Freemasonry and Dollars", by M.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey. He frankly criticised the tendency towards "multiple degrees", and the gathering in of so many members that there was no time or endeavor to develop Masons. Admitting that lodges must be managed on a business basis and accounts paid, a balanced financial statement and an ever-increasing enrollment was not the basic test of a successful lodge.

If given half a chance, Masonry had a benign and spiritual influence upon the lives of men, making for better men, better citizens, husbands, fathers, better legislators, and better workmen. These were the things money could not buy.

Resulting from the discussion which followed a resolution was adopted, "That the members of this Conference were generally in agreement with the position expressed by Bro. Pilkey, that money, while necessary, was of less importance than members, who as Freemasons had learned to practise the science and the art of living".

A challenging paper was given by R.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, on "The Employment of Lodge Members". The responsibility for this lay largely with the W.M. who was placed in the East "to employ and instruct his Brethren". Today Freemasonry had one job to perform, one reason for existence, and that was to take the material that came to hand, and make good men out of it. Bro. Macdonald claimed that Freemasonry had failed to project its principles into the lives of men, and have them accepted by the world at large. It should take a more commanding place through the activities of its members.

The following resolution was adopted; That this conference would recommend, that all Lodges face the challenge that the W.M. should give direction to the employment of lodge members according to their skill and ability. That the big job of Freemasonry was to make good men better, and to develop in them that moral character which alone

would withstand the invasion of foreign ideologies. Freemasonry had not as yet succeeded in projecting its leadership into the thought of men today.

Friday afternoon four papers were presented. The first was, "Are there any advantages in Fraternal Relations", by R.W. Bro. H. Codrington. Admitting he didn't like the title, he stated that "Fraternity was the foundation principle of all secret societies". Every member in good standing was a brother, and society a universal fraternity. The sacred ties of brotherhood should not be broken. He urged that the helping hand should be stretched to a brother in distress of any kind. Our Craft stands second to none in this ideal.

"Is the Concurrency of Jurisdiction advisable among Constituent Lodges," was the subject assigned to M.W. Bro. Fred. C. Wilson, who showed that the four Western Canadian Jurisdictions were in fairly common agreement on the question, and it seemed to be working satisfactorily. He believed that general concurrent Jurisdiction of Lodges would, in the long run, be harmful to the Craft and especially to the smaller rural Lodges.

A paper on the question, "Should Faithful and Efficient Service in a Lodge, be Recognized by Grand Lodge", prepared by R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, was read by R.W. Bro. Hedley Auld.

It stated that in Saskatchewan the constitution made provision for a local Lodge to request Grand Lodge to honor a Brother for services rendered in the local Lodge, but only twice in the history of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan have such honors been granted. The writer referred to the form of recognition, whether a jewel, a certificate, or appointment to Grand Lodge rank, which would have a bearing on the question. Many lodges present certificates, past master jewels, and through Grand Lodge, the fifty-year gold button. Lodges also have the privilege of conferring Life Memberships. If there was a general practice of conferring Grand Lodge rank, the writer believed that many Brethren equally worthy would be overlooked, and it could become an inexcusable interference with the Grand Master's prerogative to name his appointed officers.

A brief paper on "The Attitude of the Lodge towards Disabled Petitioners", was given by R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor. It was based on actual cases of disabled veterans who had been admitted to the Craft. While not physically perfect they had the moral character, and the mental and spiritual attitude for the making of good Freemasons. The summary emphasized that every case should be judged on its own merits; that investigating committees should be thorough and impartial without bias of well-meant sympathy or sentiment. It was suggested that the candidate should have a physical examination by a Service doctor, who was a Mason. After the Lodge had made a favorable decision, the case should be referred to the Grand Master.

The Conference unanimously recommended the procedure outlined.

Personal vouching, without examination, of a visitor, was a dangerous procedure; declared M.W. Bro. George Moore, in a paper, Saturday morning, entitled "The Essentials of Vouching for a Visitor". Even if one had sat in Lodge with a Brother, it is not certain that he is in good standing. While the right of visitation is an Ancient Landmark of Freemasonry, it was important that entrance should be guarded against cowans. In the discussion, it was agreed that the visitor should produce his credentials from a lodge in a regularly

recognized jurisdiction; the signature on his card should correspond with the one on the register; he should take the Tyler's oath; and have a thorough examination. M.W. Bro. W. J. Hunter, North Dakota, said they were working towards having a standing committee in each Lodge to examine all visitors.

In developing the subject, "What must be done to Fulfil the Mission of Freemasonry", M.W. Bro. Wm. A. Henry recalled that in early 18th century England, the moral code was very loose. It was then that a group of citizens, doubtless acquainted with the Masons' organization, then gradually dwindling, developed an organization aiming to improve the character and morals of its members and society in general. This was the mission of Freemasonry and its value is apparent by its rapid development, and continual expansion after 230 years.

Out of the rough, imperfect, quarrelling world, Freemasonry is to build a Temple wherein Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth predominate, this symbolic temple being man himself. Our ancient Brethren built cathedrals. We must build a better world. Everything in our Lodge work must be secondary to this great objective. Freemasonry exists to so cultivate and improve the mind and character, that the individual may solve any problem, or overcome any circumstance, by right thinking and right living. We must be more interested in making Masons than in making members.

Wednesday evening a banquet was held in the Mount Royal Hotel, when the delegates and their ladies were the guests of M.W. Bro. Dr. Wm. A. Henry, Grand Master of Alberta.

It was decided to hold the Ninth Annual Conference, September, 1949, at Banff.

The officers elected for 1949 were, President, R.W. Bro. Hedley Auld, Saskatchewan; Vice-President, R.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, Alberta; and Secretary, M.W. Bro. George F. Ellis, Alberta.

Fraternally submitted,

W. H. MOOR, Deputy Grand Master.

Distinguished Guests

M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gill, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, was called on and in briefly addressing Grand Lodge conveyed the greetings and good wishes of the Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. Bro. Gill expressed appreciation for the kindnesses and courtesies extended to him by Saskatchewan Freemasonry.

R.W. Bro. Chas. S. Elliott, Grand Historian of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, also briefly addressed Grand Lodge and extended greeting on behalf of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

British Food Parcels

R.W. Bro. F. Hedley Auld presented the report of the Grand Master's Committee on British Food Parcels, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. F. Hedley Auld and P. K. Brown was received and ordered printed in the proceedings as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.,
Brethren:

To develop plans to provide cheer for families of Masonic Brethren in Great Britain and to enable the members of our fraternity in this

Grand Jurisdiction to participate in this worthy enterprise as has been done in other Grand Jurisdictions, the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master appointed a Committee early in February consisting of R.W. Bros. R. R. McEwen, Arthur Wilson, C. A. Moir, P. K. Brown, W. O. Fraser and A. F. McFaul with the undersigned as Chairman.

In a letter to the Worshipful Masters, Officers and Members of all Constituent Lodges, issued on February 8, 1949, the Grand Master gave the following reason for forming a "Food Parcels for Britain" Committee:

"I have perused recent correspondence between the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Secretary of our Grand Lodge pertaining to the still existing need of assistance in the form of food parcels for our Masonic Brethren in the Old Land and I am of the firm belief such assistance is necessary and urgent and will be so for an indefinite period. I quote from a letter just received by our Grand Secretary from the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England.

"There is no doubt that food is the chief requirement. After so many years existing on a minimum allowance, there are a great number of people who are definitely suffering from a deficiency in some form or other. The rationing is particularly hard on old couples with only two ration books, as queuing for unrationed food is a great strain; on people recovering from severe illnesses or operation, who really need some additional food to build up their strength; on prisoners of war who are suffering from malnutrition, and parents with growing children who are always hungry."

"I realize some of our Brethren have already interested themselves in sending food parcels or making donations to organizations so doing, but I feel Saskatchewan Masons as a whole should be making a determined and united effort in this regard. I am hopeful that every Brother in Saskatchewan will give his enthusiastic and tangible support to this worthy cause".

The response to the Grand Master's appeal was immediate and continuous, so that at the beginning of June donations of cash had been received from 70 Lodges, some of which have pledged themselves to make monthly contributions, and three parcels of food had been despatched to each of the fifty-seven Masonic families whose names were given to our Grand Secretary by the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England. This list was completely served for the first time early in April when each received a twenty-pound parcel of food containing the following items:

1 tin butter	1 tin sausage
1 pkt. pie crust mix	1 tin Spork
1 lb. shortening	1 lb. Kraft cheese
1 tin spiced ham	1 lb. honey
1 tin steak and onions	1 tin York meat spread
1 tin chicken	1 lb. sugar
1 tin meat balls	1 lb. raisins
1 tin beef dinner	2 pkts. Jello
1 lb. rice	2 pkts. Jello pudding
1 pkt. chocolate cake mix	1 tin peanuts

The cost of each twenty-pound parcel, postage prepaid, is \$9.50.

In all cases the Secretary of the Lodge which provided the funds to purchase the food parcel was shown on the label as the sender, and

it is probable that some of them have already received from the recipients messages of thanks.

The difficulties faced by the people of the United Kingdom are such that early improvement on a substantial scale is unlikely, and it is therefore recommended that the sending of Food Parcels to Britain be continued monthly so long as funds are available and the present need continues.

I wish to acknowledge on behalf of the Committee on Food Parcels for Britain the great assistance of the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Tate and the staff of the Grand Lodge Office in conducting the correspondence and performing the executive work related to the objectives and duties of this Committee.

Fraternally submitted,
F. HEDLEY AULD, Chairman.

Distinguished Guest

M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, was called on and briefly addressed Grand Lodge. He conveyed the warm Fraternal greetings of the Brethren of Alberta and referred to the close association as existing between our respective Grand Lodges. He congratulated Saskatchewan Freemasonry on its Youth Program and suggested that Freemasonry had a part to play in the internal affairs of the country. Brother Macdonald expressed the opinion that we, as Free Masons, should endeavour to inculcate in the hearts of the people some of the fundamental principles of our Institution.

Votes of Thanks

On motion of M.W. Bros. Hector Mackay and J. C. Carter it was resolved that the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M. desires to express its gratitude and appreciation to the Officer Commanding the R.C.M.P. for permitting Sgt. A. H. M. Downey and Constable E. C. Curtain to attend this Annual Communication and exemplify the Flag Ceremony and further desires to express appreciation to Bros. Downey and Curtain for having exemplified this Ceremony in such splendid manner.

On motion of R.W. Bros. F. Hedley Auld and R. R. McEwen it was resolved that the members of Grand Lodge express their thanks and appreciation of the service rendered in connection with this Annual Communication by the Regina Masonic Council and of their arrangement for the appearance of Miss Barbara Ann Scott, and of the Wa-Wa Chanters in providing outstanding choral entertainment; and that we also tender our thanks to the Management and Staff of the Hotel Saskatchewan for arrangements made for our comfort and accommodation.

On the motion of M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks and R.W. Bro. A. Moffett it was resolved that Grand Lodge express its hearty appreciation of the courtesy and co-operation of Miss Passmore, assistant in the Grand Secretary's office at this Forty-Third Annual Communication, and that the sum of \$25.00 be presented as a token of that appreciation.

Honorary Memberships Conferred

On motion of M.W. Bros. N. R. Craig and Mark Musk it was unanimously resolved that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7 of

the Constitution, "In recognition of eminence, ability and service rendered", there be conferred on the following Brethren the rank and distinction, respectively, as follows: M.W. Bro. Fred I. Mills, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Illinois; M.W. Bro. Stephen A. Holt, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Montana; M.W. Bro. Frank A. Copus, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario; M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gills, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of North Dakota; M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba; M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Alberta, Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan; on R.W. Bro. H. A. Innes, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Honorary Past Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan; and on R.W. Bro. Chas. S. Elliott, Grand Historian, Grand Lodge of New Jersey, Honorary Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

Installation of Officers

All business to come before Grand Lodge having been transacted, the Grand Master called on M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter to act as Installing Officer. The newly-elected Grand Master and Grand Officers were duly installed by M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter with V.W. Bro. T. Guest and W. Bro. H. W. Nichol discharging the duties of Grand Director and Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies:

R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor (16)	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. F. Hedley Auld (186)	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. R. R. McEwen (69)	Grand Senior Warden
V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird (174)	Grand Junior Warden
M.W. Bro. W. J. Smith (2)	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate (11)	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes (3)	Grand Registrar
V.W. Bro. T. H. Reeve (16)	Grand Tyler

The following Brethren selected by their respective Districts, were appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master as District Deputy Grand Masters for the ensuing year, obligated and invested:

W. Bro. Dr. J. L. Connel, No. 1	W. Bro. H. B. Lowe, No. 9
W. Bro. T. Andrew, No. 2	W. Bro. D. M. Williams, No. 10
W. Bro. Jas. P. Farmer, No. 3	V.W. Bro. W. F. Linklater, No. 11
V.W. Bro. J. A. Stueck, No. 4	V.W. Bro. I. H. Pittman, No. 12
W. Bro. Dr. Morris Herman, No. 5	W. Bro. T. C. Eyre, No. 13
W. Bro. N. H. Penfold, No. 6	W. Bro. A. D. Graham, No. 14
W. Bro. J. A. Gordon, No. 7	W. Bro. C. W. Roberts, No. 15
W. Bro. W. Hopkins, No. 8	W. Bro. H. S. Waldie, No. 16
W. Bro. J. A. Malloch, No. 17	

The following Brethren were also appointed to office for the ensuing year by the M.W. the Grand Master and were duly invested:

R.W. Bro. Bishop E. H. Knowles (11)	Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. R. J. S. Tracy (134)	Grand Senior Deacon
W. Bro. R. E. Greenfield (53)	Grand Junior Deacon
V.W. Bro. James Robinson (11)	Grand D. of C.
W. Bro. H. A. Head (132)	Grand Supt. of Works
Bro. Harry Jones (16)	Grand Organist
W. Bro. H. D. Elliot (144)	Grand Pursuivant

GRAND STEWARDS

W. Bro. W. G. Wilson (31)	W. Bro. J. S. Backus (119)
W. Bro. R. G. Rook (61)	W. Bro. O. E. Logan (114)
W. Bro. G. M. Husband (95)	W. Bro. D. P. McRae (55)
W. Bro. W. C. Rose (108)	W. Bro. J. W. Sherwin (27)

Congratulations

R.W. Bro. F. Hedley Auld congratulated the Grand Master on being installed into office on the anniversary of his birthday and presented him, on behalf of Saskatchewan Freemasonry, with a bouquet of roses.

Presentation to Retiring Grand Master

M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Dean of Past Grand Masters, on behalf of Grand Lodge, presented the retiring Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred C. Wilson with a suitably engraved Past Grand Master's Collar Jewel and a set of Past Grand Master's Cuffs. In making the presentation Bro. Tate stated that his mind went back to the days when M.W. Bro. Fred Wilson starred on hockey and rugby teams that won Dominion-wide recognition. He intimated that the same qualities of leadership and team work had been exemplified by him in his services to Freemasonry, culminating in one of the most successful Annual Communications in the history of Grand Lodge.

M.W. Bro. Wilson in expressing his deep appreciation referred to M.W. Bro. Tate as being his Masonic father.

Thanks

The retiring Grand Master expressed his personal thanks to M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter for the efficient and dignified manner in which he had conducted the Installation and Investiture of Grand Lodge Officers, to V.W. Bro. T. Guest and W. Bro. H. W. Nichol for acting as Grand Director and Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies, to V.W. Bro. A. Findlay for his musical contribution, to Bros. A. H. M. Downey and E. C. Curtain for their precise, dignified exemplification of the Flag Ceremony, to the Scrutineers for the efficient manner in which they ascertained results of the balloting, and to R.W. Bro. E. S. Weeks for acting as the District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 2 at the special meeting for the selection of a Brother for recommendation for appointment for the ensuing year.

Grand Lodge Closes

The business of Grand Lodge having been transacted, the Forty-third Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form at 1.30 p.m.



Robert A. Tate

Grand Secretary.

In Memory
of
The Illustrious Dead
of
Sister Grand
Lodges



In Memory of

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Ernest Edward Robinson

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 1, 1939

Died September 22nd, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Ernest Edward Johnston

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 2, 1948

Died March 22nd, 1949

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Frederick BIRTHALL Lewis

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 2, 1934

Died December 20th, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Alexander H. MacLean

GRAND PURSUIVANT, 1938

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 2, 1947

Died April 8th, 1949

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Homer Hill Tubman

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 2, 1926

Died August 16th, 1948

In Memory of

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Thomas Hesketh
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 4, 1947
Died April 20th, 1949

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Frank Brown O'Neil
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 5, 1930
Died October 26th, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
James Newell Adair
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 6, 1921
Died July 4th, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Ernest Rowland Davis
GRAND STEWARD, 1927, 1939
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 6, 1942
Died January 17th, 1949

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
William Silvy Cooper
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 7, 1930
Died February 25th, 1949

In Memory of

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Thomas Allan Patterson
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 8, 1930
Died December 10th, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Walter Marshall
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 8, 1934
Died January 12th, 1949

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Walter George Robinson
GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES, 1915
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 8, 1916
Died February 7th, 1949

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
William Sim
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 8, 1922
Died January 17th, 1949

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Lewis Abbott
GRAND STEWARD, 1911
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 9, 1912
Died February 16th, 1949

In Memory of

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Edmond Clayton
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 9, 1917
Died November 4th, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
William Russell Gordon
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 12, 1922
Died March 23rd, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
George McKay
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 12, 1918
Died September 22nd, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
William Herbert Walker
GRAND STEWARD, 1943
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 12, 1946
Died February 21st, 1949

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
John Cedric Cram
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 14, 1943
Died February 7th, 1949

In Memory of

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
George Henry Stephenson
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 14, 1925
Died November 21st, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Harry Artley Loucks
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 15, 1932
Died April 29th, 1948

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
John Victor Greer
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 17, 1937
Died January 11th, 1949

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Anton B. Anderson
GRAND STEWARD, 1946
Died August 17th, 1948

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER
Robert Harvey
GRAND SENIOR DEACON, 1946
Died August 21st, 1948

In Memory of

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

George Hill

GRAND STEWARD, 1946

Died March 4th, 1948

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

John George Todd Jennings

GRAND STEWARD, 1945

Died March 17th, 1948

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Reginald John Marsden Parker

GRAND STEWARD, 1931

Died March 23rd, 1948

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

William Alexander Stewart

GRAND STEWARD, 1939

Died February 28th, 1948

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Werner Wettlaufer

GRAND STEWARD, 1945

Died March 18th, 1949

In Memory of

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>
2	Wascana	McDiarmid Rankin, Reginald John Marsden Parker, Clifford Wallace Walker, John Franklin Anderson, Samuel Campbell Weaver, David Ritchie.
3	Moose Jaw	Thomas McCrae Leask, Frederick William Bennett, George Ira Billings, George Moulding, Frederick James Wilson, Morley Prinshon Barnes, Charles Addis, William John McLean, Charles Wesley Penhall, William Simington.
4	Qu'Appelle Valley	John George Todd Jennings, William Ernest Read.
5	Indian Head	Edward Reginald Boone, Harry Wellington Lennox.
7	Moosomin	Ashton Fletcher Andrews.
8	Ashlar	Peter McLean Gillis.
9	Maple Leaf	Samuel Ingram.
10	Evening Star	Thomas William Wright.
11	N.W.M.P.	Hugh Carlyle Watson, Arthur Marks, John Heard, Albert Banister, Robert James Pillans, Curfew James, Henry Boyd Peters, Bertram Alfred Campbell.
12	Yorkton	James Cameron Smith, William Boyd Morton.
13	Rosthern-Duck Lake	Gordon Ellis Goble, Robert Eric Anderson.
14	Sintaluta	George Hill.
15	Amity	Guy Vivian Defoe.
16	Saskatchewan	Harry Havelock Mabey, William Thomas White, Stanley Theodore Ball.
17	Carlyle	John Luffman.
18	Melfort	Ernest Edward Robinson, Lawrence James Meek.
19	Battle	Richard Kenneth Humphreys, Edward Wilson Barnes, Elmer Theodore Loughrey.
20	Weyburn	David Aitken.
21	Arcola	Oscar John Worden, Lowry Hanna, Hugh Fraser, Edgar Thomas Wright, Thomas Allan Patterson.

In Memory of

No.	Lodge	Name
25	Estevan	Robert Henry Coxford.
26	Swift Current	William Wesley Cooper, Robert William Humphries.
29	Heward	Fred W. Davis.
31	Ionic	Harold Paul Fuller, John Craig, John E. Mitchell, John Coles, George D. Boyd.
33	Davidson	William Allen Speedie, John Frederick Johnston.
34	Lang	William Devereaux.
36	Bruce	Joseph Dundas, James C. Widdis, Franklin William James, John Lewis Warren, Walter George Robinson, Stewart Mitchell.
38	Ekapo	George Loudon Nicoll.
39	Boscurvis	James Newell Adair.
40	Rouleau	Homer Hill Tubman, Byron Cromwell Jacques, Ernest Edward Johnston.
42	Caron	James Peever.
43	Ishpaming	Sherman Wadsworth Prevost, Frank Brown O'Neil.
44	Landmark	Alvin S. Snyder, William Silvy Cooper.
46	Strasbourg	Charles Hubert Chapin.
47	Cupar	Charles Edward Sandercock, Lewis Abbott, Thomas Hesketh.
48	Grayson	Edmond Clayton.
49	Assiniboia	David Emanuel Spencer, Douglas Alex Bonar, Elmer George Beatty, Robert William Brewis, Joseph Osborne Smith-Jones.
50	Golden Fleece	Isaac Kaye, Augustus Morris McKay.
53	Nanatah	George Simmons.
57	Prairie	Earnest Tregaskis.
58	King Solomon	Harold Harvey, Charles Alfred Bradbrooke.
59	Canora	Robert Edgar Cowin.
60	Imperial	Victor James Ferguson, Ralph Dill, Peter Joseph Hughes.
63	Prince Albert	James Porter, Roderick Boyes, Abraham J. Neill, Ruggles D. Brooks, Ideal David Silverman, John Joseph Wilson.

In Memory of

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>
64	Manitou.....	Norman Lewis Stroud, Frederick K. Haines.
65	Outlook.....	James Archibald Fraser, Thomas John Colby, George McKay.
66	Govan.....	Frank Norman Alexander.
70	Cypress.....	William Randolph Holding, Frank Bennett, James Alexander Dillon.
71	Doric.....	Augustus Clarke Meyers.
72	Corinthian.....	James Nicholas Francis Gibbs.
73	Unity.....	George J. Wilson.
74	Kilwinning.....	Clarence G. Thompson.
75	Harmony.....	Arthur Debenham.
76	Tisdale.....	Harvey Aitken Jones.
78	Tugaske.....	Richard Capeling.
79	Foam Lake.....	William McWhinnie Porter.
80	Connaught.....	William Sim.
83	Meridian.....	Wilbur Thomson.
85	Zealandia.....	James Robinson.
86	Kindersley.....	Harold Fletcher Tyerman, William Russell Gordon, Frank Percy Whiting, Joseph William Lord, Everton Earl Ferguson.
89	Twin City.....	Leslie Williams.
90	Kerrobert.....	William C. Lorimer, Jr., Robert D. K. Hanbidge, Peter Johnston, Mack McKeown.
91	Rosetown.....	Alvin Howe Burton, Robert Izeft Duff, Ernest Harley Conliff, Harold Meredith Granville, Edwin Jones, Wilfred Lawson Bowron, William S. Cooper.
92	Lodge Progress.....	Daniel Garnet Thomas, Frank Meredith Jarrett, Elliott Milford Covey.
96	Yellow Grass.....	Arthur Elmer, William Joseph Sprott.
98	Union.....	David C. Jessup.
99	Goose Lake.....	Robert Harvey.
100	Biggar.....	Louis Cronk Sanford, James Gaston Fox.
101	Acacia.....	Alexander Tate Turney.

In Memory of

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>
102	Invermay	Harry Artley Loucks, Samuel Moit Culp, Charles Raymond Asay.
104	King Hiram	Frederick Wishart Chambers, Herbert D'Alton Bolster, George Chalmers, George Sidney Roth, Warren Melville.
106	St. John's.	William Donald MacPherson.
107	Mortlach	William Clark, Harry Albert Braden, William Henry Mackay.
108	Long Lake	Charles Heber Fry.
110	Shaunavon	Peter Law Naismith, Cecil A. Barr.
111	Aneroid.	Raymond Richards, Calvin Job Hammond, John Dinsmore.
112	Woodrow.	Joseph W. Johnston, John Cedric Cram.
114	Central Butte	Henry Robert Coulson, Archibald McGillivray.
115	Landis.	Clarence James Cushing.
116	Ceylon	Alfred Thomas Wilkes, Ernest Rowland Davis.
119	Cabri.	Alex Thorburn, James Clark.
120	Ogema	Harry King, Charles Andrew Bush.
122	Azure	Anton B. Anderson.
123	Lancer.	John Beckett Cross, John Emanuel Wang.
126	Cadillac.	Alexander Isaac Buckwald, Willard Filmore Chedister.
127	Birch Hills.	James Barber Hounsell.
128	Meyronne	George Henry Stephenson.
129	Mossbank.	Thomas Wadell.
130	Togo	Reginald John Marsden Parker, James Arthur McBain, James Gordon Anderson.
131	Dinston	Hugh Clarke, George Robert Corey.
135	Elrose	William Herbert Wilson, William Herbert Walker.
136	St. George	John A. Sheppard.
138	Kincaid	Thomas F. Donnelly.
139	Riverhurst.	Frederick Richardson, George Ewen.
140	Sceptre.	George Baird, John Henry Ward.

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No.	Lodge	Name
144	Victory.....	Hugh Ferguson Spring, Frank Bradley, Alfred Ernest McEwan, John Roberts.
146	Asquith.....	Alexander Henry McTavish.
147	Elstow	John McCallum.
149	Loverna	Russel Sifton Kendell.
150	Wawota	Walter Marshall.
151	Viscount.....	Alexander Sutherland McKay, Arthur Mack.
154	Banner.....	Hugh John Reid, Theodore Homs, William Richard Elias, Charles Harold Trott, Frank Carl Christie, Frederick Norman Langford, James Walter Wickware.
157	York	Alexander Welsh.
160	Cut Knife.....	John Shand, Werner Wettlauffer.
163	Fillmore	Donald MacLean.
165	St. Luke's.....	Harry Weldon McConnell.
170	Sharon	Edward Ernest Hoare.
171	Shellbrook.....	Ernest B. Goodman.
172	Memorial	Edward Everett Nixon.
174	St. Andrew's	Thomas Richard W. Weller.
175	Radville	John Thomas Edwards, Henry Anderson.
176	Gray.....	William Martin, Frederick Birthall Lewis.
178	Norquay	Hugh James Darragh.
179	Kelvington.....	Hans Christian Jensen.
181	Tuberose.....	Donald MacPherson.
183	Nipawin.....	Charles Freeman Evoy.
185	Loyalty.....	James Blair, William John Ellison.
186	Emulation.....	Richard Nathaniel Kelly, George Cyril Rooke, Alexander P. MacLean.
187	Lucky Lake	Henry Haack.
188	Glenedyth.....	Stanley James.
189	Herschel	Richard Hammet Ayre, John William Hares.
192	Sovereign.....	John Daniel Lawrence, John Victor Greer.
194	Vanguard	Hugh James English.
196	Lacadena.....	Robert Wesley Armstrong.
198	Colfax.....	William Innes.
199	Admiral	William Alexander Stewart, Otto Robert Klein.
201	Glentworth	Samuel Lawrence Sproule.

STATISTICAL TABLE

	No. of Lodge	Per Capita Membership March, 1948	Initiated	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended	Deaths	Com. L. Mbrs.	Per Capita Membership March, 1949	Com. L. Mbrs.	Total Membership	Meetings Held Regular	Meetings Held Emergent
Kinistino	1	159	15	4	1	5	1		2	171	36	207	10	21
Wascana	2	214	10	2	4	1	1	6	2	220	47	267	....	..
Moose Jaw	3	307	10	2	1	3		7	11	299	49	348	10	13
Qu'Appelle Valley	4	52	2	1					2	53	17	70	11	1
Indian Head	5	112	2	4		2		2	1	113	6	119	12	8
Qu'Appelle	6	40	3	1		1				43	8	51	11	3
Moosomin	7	79	11	1	1	3				89	15	104	12	6
Ashlar	8	48	4	1		1		1		51	3	54	12	3
Maple Leaf	9	86	4		1	2		1	1	87	1	88	10	6
Evening Star	10	62	10		2	2			4	68	13	81	10	11
N.W.M.P.	11	287	15	4		3		6	1	296	57	353	....	..
Yorkton	12	127	5	4		4		2	1	129	15	144	11	2
Rosthern Duck Lake ..	13	53	6	3		2		2	1	57	11	68	13	5
Sintaluta	14	46				2	1			43		43	13	5
Amity	15	36	5	2		2		1		40	27	67	9	7
Saskatchewan	16	352	15	10	2	6	4	1	4	364	58	422	10	27
Carlyle	17	62	6	1		1			1	67	7	74	11	1
Melfort	18	125	9		1	6		1	3	125	19	144	12	4
Battle	19	70	1	1		1		3	4	64	25	89	10	5
Weyburn	20	131	3	1	3	2		1		135	2	137	10	3
Arcola	21	60				1		5		54	4	58	8	
Britannia	23	69	4	1		2			1	71	7	78	10	4
Wolseley	24	42	4	1		1			1	45	4	49	12	
Estevan	25	94	6	2	1	6		1	1	95	31	126	10	2
Swift Current	26	162	14	2		4		1	1	172	15	187	10	14
Alameda	27	42	1							43	2	45	6	2
Hanley	28	55	3							58	5	63	10	1
Heward	29	20	1					1		20	5	25	7	
New Hope	30	48	8			1			2	53	7	60	9	2
Ionic	31	129	13	2	1	6	1	3		135	48	183	34	26
Golden Rule	32	50	4		3	1			1	55	5	60	....	..
Davidson	33	83	3	6	1	7	1	2		83	7	90	11	
Lang	34	61	8		1	1		1		68	....	68	12	7
Prince Rupert	35	60			2				1	61	31	92	10	2
Bruce	36	49	4	1				6		48	2	50	9	2
Wapella	37	46	3	1						50	2	52	10	1
Ekapo	38	60	2			1		1		60	7	67	11	4
Boscurvis	39	53	2		2	1	2	1		53	3	56	10	5
Rouleau	40	75	3	1		1				78	26	104	....	..
Drinkwater	41	78	4		1	2				81	7	88	....	..
Caron	42	70	1		1	2		1	1	68	9	77	9	2
Ishpaming	43	29				2		1	1	25	7	32	10	2
Landmark	44	81	1			2	1	1		78	6	84	12	2
Aurora	45	36	5		1	1				41	1	42	12	5
Strasbourg	46	42	2			3	1	1		39	7	46	10	1
Cupar	47	38				1		1		36	1	37	12	5
Grayson	48	24	1							25	10	35	8	1
Assiniboia	49	270	14	6	2	7		4	4	277	26	303	....	..
Golden Fleece	50	52			1		1	1		51	4	55	7	1

—CONSTITUENT LODGES

Average Attendance	Amount Paid for Local Relief	Months in Arrears Members 12	Total Arrearages	Cash on Hand	Assets	Liabilities	Insurance in Force	No. Visits by D.D.G.M.	Does Lodge own its own hall?
48	122.95	24	239.00	4,167.44	8,356.44	144.00	2,000.00	1	No
36	385.00	23	120.00	3,078.62	78,310.25	622.51	500.00	1	Yes
20	.....	7	55.00	67.54	7,443.69	60.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
28	110.00	7	68.00	1,564.25	2,382.25	.....	500.00	1	No
16	.....	9	78.00	470.92	5,398.92	32.00	3,500.00	1	Yes
21	50.00	8	75.00	103.20	792.58	.....	1,200.00	1	No
17	.....	6	42.00	160.94	3,852.94	.....	4,500.00	1	Yes
25.5	7.50	7	80.00	241.85	2,662.00	.....	1,000.00	1	No
22	281.00	6	60.00	303.01	1,374.40	75.00	500.00	1	Yes
38	127.71	25	245.00	1,259.95	5,989.95	35.00	200.00	1	No
18	40.00	..	..	409.66	6,849.66	89.59	6,400.00	1	Yes
12	.....	9	150.00	350.00	2,500.00	.....	2,700.00	1	Pt.
15	.....	..	..	110.97	670.97	3.00	400.00	1	No
40.3	78.65	92	943.50	3,065.83	12,716.33	396.12	400.00	1	Pt.
18	.....	13	351.00	393.90	1,557.90	550.00	450.00	1	No
30	20.00	14	180.00	752.93	5,763.00	.....	2,825.00	1	Yes
22	126.00	2	20.00	576.35	1,589.35	100.00	500.00	2	No
69	36.56	14	128.00	758.05	10,854.03	222.10	5,500.00	1	Pt.
19	.....	10	78.00	297.92	957.92	18.00	500.00	1	No
22	12.00	24	266.65	633.74	5,150.39	.....	6,000.00	1	Yes
20	.....	2	84.00	562.67	1,341.67	52.00	250.00	1	No
25	.....	24	454.00	153.28	2,803.28	.....	700.00	1	No
26.1	16.50	35	317.65	3,676.38	11,874.00	499.89	5,000.00	1	Yes
16	.....	..	.....	459.26	669.26	.....	.....	1	No
13.8	.....	5	24.00	493.15	2,221.65	35.51	800.00	1	No
9	.....	5	48.00	229.51	1,600.00	.....	800.00	1	Yes
15	.....	12	67.00	571.51	1,388.51	38.00	200.00	1	No
34	.....	15	170.00	3,932.02	12,312.24	260.00	500.00	1	No
22	35.00	3	93.00	529.40	1,829.46	224.00	500.00	1	No
43	.....	7	96.00	254.12	1,830.88	80.00	1,250.00	1	Yes
13	55.00	12	137.25	92.48	4,744.73	75.54	9,000.00	1	Yes
16	.....	9	50.00	438.84	1,353.84	65.81	.....	1	No
16	.....	4	36.00	231.32	3,757.32	1,272.00	3,500.00	2	Yes
16	.....	6	36.00	114.58	3,350.58	.....	2,500.00	1	Yes
17	.....	7	58.00	627.45	1,825.45	72.00	600.00	2	No
22	.....	5	25.00	155.84	2,955.84	32.00	300.00	1	Yes
10	25.00	8	105.00	53.78	1,011.78	290.00	1,000.00	1	Yes
22	.....	7	63.00	856.23	4,747.23	.....	3,300.00	1	Yes
13.6	.....	7	152.00	185.77	637.77	.....	400.00	1	No
13	.....	8	72.00	419.01	1,175.57	272.48	600.00	2	No
14		5	50.00	88.67	4,388.67	60.00	2,550.00	1	Yes
8				579.02	729.02		300.00	..	No
25		39	294.00	77.09	2,196.09	3.81	3,000.00	1	Yes

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Touchwood	51	38	5	..	1	..	..	..	1	43	7	50	10	3
Border	52	40	11	..	2	..	..	..	3	50	3	53	11	15
Nanatah	53	78	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	76	7	83	11	2
Buchanan	54	26	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	27	10	37	10	2
Craik	55	61	8	..	..	1	1	..	2	65	2	67	..	..
Elbow View	56	29	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	26	2	28	4	2
Prairie	57	54	3	3	..	4	1	1	2	52	9	61	10	2
King Solomon	58	68	4	..	..	1	..	..	1	70	19	89	10	4
Canora	59	36	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	36	12	48	10	1
Imperial	60	197	12	1	1	8	3	1	9	190	44	234	10	21
Rocanville	61	28	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	28	10	38	10	1
Melville	62	139	7	1	1	3	..	..	2	143	23	166	10	7
Prince Albert	63	163	10	5	1	6	2	4	3	164	26	190	10	17
Manitou	64	68	..	1	..	2	1	2	..	64	10	74	9	1
Outlook	65	39	3	1	..	1	1	2	..	39	2	41	11	3
Wynyard	66	69	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	71	9	80	14	4
Eye-brow	67	25	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	25	12	37	8	1
Govan	68	54	7	..	..	1	..	1	4	55	23	78	12	4
Carrot River	69	84	1	..	..	2	4	..	..	79	..	79	12	..
Cypress	70	69	..	..	2	3	..	1	1	66	17	83	10	4
Doric	71	124	7	1	..	2	..	1	1	128	17	145	10	10
Corinthian	72	74	8	..	..	1	..	1	1	79	13	92	..	..
Unity	73	81	6	2	..	..	..	1	..	88	2	90	11	1
Kilwinning	74	34	..	..	..	4	1	1	..	28	5	33	9	1
Harmony	75	39	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	37	4	41	10	3
Tisdale	76	131	9	2	..	4	..	1	..	137	10	147	12	8
Abernethy	77	72	3	1	..	2	..	..	..	74	4	78	13	5
Tugaske	78	54	2	2	..	..	..	..	2	56	12	68	12	..
Foam Lake	79	47	3	4	..	..	..	1	..	53	..	53	12	4
Connaught	80	35	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	40	5	45	7	..
Tuscan	81	53	2	..	1	2	..	..	..	54	1	55	9	5
Victoria	82	72	4	..	1	5	..	..	4	68	11	79	10	1
Meridian	83	42	1	..	..	3	..	..	1	39	14	53	12	1
Lanigan	84	43	6	1	..	..	..	..	..	50	8	58	10	5
Zealandia	85	39	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	41	5	46	9	2
Kindersley	86	121	3	2	3	5	3	3	..	118	11	129	10	5
Wadena	87	53	8	..	1	..	..	..	..	62	..	62	11	7
Briercrest	88	34	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	30	5	35	11	2
Twin City	89	85	4	1	1	1	..	1	3	86	16	102	10	15
Kerrobart	90	104	3	2	..	2	..	4	..	103	10	113	13	1
Rosetown	91	108	7	..	..	2	..	5	2	106	25	131	10	8
Lodge Progress	92	329	18	3	3	9	1	3	1	339	8	347	10	32
Morse	93	39	4	..	1	3	1	..	1	39	9	48	12	3
Maryfield	94	54	10	..	1	1	..	..	2	62	4	66	8	5
Evergreen	95	42	2	..	1	1	..	..	1	43	5	48	9	3
Yellow Grass	96	61	3	4	..	..	2	2	..	64	..	64	10	5
Radisson	97	43	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	46	8	54	11	4
Union	98	43	9	..	..	3	1	1	1	46	8	54	12	4
Goose Lake	99	59	4	..	1	1	1	..	2	60	5	65	12	4
Biggar	100	130	1	1	..	3	..	2	3	124	9	133	11	3

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17		7	66.00	72.52	3,112.52	1,510.00	2,450.00	1	Yes
18		6	30.00	845.86	1,075.86	11.00		1	No
20	209.05	8	60.00	193.76	6,065.76		1,300.00	1	Yes
8.4	.....	6	100.00	30.39	1,855.39	.....	1,000.00	1	Yes
9	.....	5	60.00	314.82	1,224.82	40.00	400.00	1	No
23.5	.....	57	72.00	90.72	60.00	30.85	1,500.00	1	Yes
22.1	65.90	8	120.00	400.36	9,240.36	40.00	5,000.00	1	Yes
14	24.00	5	30.00	311.22	5,706.22	7.00	3,300.00	2	Yes
23.8	253.68	10	128.28	822.24	6,861.52	369.81	300.00	1	Pt.
13	.....	5	40.00	236.25	1,067.25	138.78	250.00	1	No
22	72.00	18	165.00	278.68	9,451.68	15,250.00	10,000.00	1	Yes
38	25.00	32	373.00	1,044.66	6,159.66	.....	2,000.00	1	No
16	25.05	19	160.29	733.45	3,207.45	48.00	750.00	1	No
6	.....	5	30.00	192.28	1,766.28	150.00	.....	1	Yes
14	.....	7	49.00	1,899.37	5,399.37	.....	2,000.00	1	No
8	.....	5	28.00	359.61	3,349.11	105.11	500.00	1	No
22	.....	13	180.40	170.05	8,664.84	523.34	7,750.00	1	Yes
23	60.00	4	110.00	1,461.87	6,394.49	60.00	3,000.00	1	Yes
35	.....	16	198.00	249.39	6,522.39	200.00	3,900.00	1	Yes
31	165.00	22	273.00	22.05	1,922.05	75.00	400.00	1	No
24	55.00	15	170.00	315.50	30.00	66.00	250.00	1	No
10	.....	2	32.00	107.59	.....	.....	750.00	1	No
12.4	.....	7	83.00	231.37	62.00	21.00	2,300.00	1	Yes
33	.....	12	112.00	348.21	8,560.21	468.64	8,000.00	1	Yes
26	120.00	23	285.00	374.91	1,804.41	65.00	350.00	1	No
21	.....	2	12.00	200.31	3,109.86	96.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
17	.....	5	65.00	288.85	1,909.85	140.71	200.00	1	No
21	.....	8	64.00	742.85	1,628.24	.....	400.00	1	No
17	.....	20	191.60	410.36	14,297.96	3,510.50	10,000.00	1	Yes
10	.....	8	50.00	179.80	3,829.80	200.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
15	88.00	3	24.00	361.24	24.00	.....	1,500.00	1	Yes
14	20.00	1	10.00	140.34	1,600.34	80.00	1,212.00	1	Pt.
14	36.00	3	24.00	298.31	5,490.31	.....	3,100.00	1	Yes
29	.....	9	120.00	327.18	7,543.15	200.00	5,000.00	1	Yes
19	.....	5	56.00	377.16	1,443.16	.....	1,000.00	1	No
13	.....	2	22.00	13	1,922.13	1,000.00	1,600.00	1	Yes
16	110.00	8	73.00	1,737.41	4,690.41	554.00	2,250.00	1	Yes
26	100.00	22	209.00	115.55	2,181.90	124.00	1,190.00	1	Yes
29	.....	15	160.00	456.00	5,716.00	2,302.00	3,400.00	1	Yes
50	532.00	45	434.85	5,213.04	17,061.59	372.82	2,800.00	1	Pt.
19	.....	2	20.00	377.64	5,947.64	130.00	4,000.00	1	Yes
20	.....	45	446.89	687.61	1,049.61	.....	300.00	1	No
15	.....	5	125.00	306.40	5,891.40	1,665.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
24	.....	17	276.00	348.33	2,438.33	64.00	200.00	1	No
15	40.00	5	51.00	703.43	1,554.43	6.00	250.00	1	No
16	.....	9	63.00	193.45	1,195.23	28.25	400.00	1	No
15		9	77.00	215.74	497.74	16.00	200.00	1	No
21.5	217.00	19	162.00	761.08	800.00	95.65	8,100.00	1	Yes

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Acacia	101	64	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	62	6	68	10	1
Invermay	102	26	5	...	...	...	...	2	...	29	1	30	10	2
Composite	103	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	6	36	6	...
King Hiram	104	226	14	3	...	5	...	5	2	231	27	258	...	...
Gothic	105	51	1	...	...	1	3	...	1	47	3	50	12	2
St. John's	106	118	9	5	...	5	...	1	1	125	19	144	10	16
Mortlach	107	61	3	...	...	1	...	3	2	58	11	69	10	5
Long Lake	108	64	7	1	...	...	...	1	...	71	5	76	10	3
Limerick	109	69	3	...	...	4	...	...	1	67	2	69	11	...
Shaunavon	110	93	6	2	1	3	1	1	4	93	24	117	10	7
Aneroid	111	65	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	62	4	66	9	2
Woodrow	112	79	4	1	...	1	...	2	1	80	12	92	12	2
Broderick	113	37	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	39	1	40	8	2
Central Butte	114	57	...	...	1	4	...	2	...	52	4	56	12	2
Landis	115	35	2	1	1	3	1	1	1	33	1	34	10	3
Ceylon	116	36	...	...	1	2	...	2	...	33	...	33	7	1
Dundurn	117	33	1	...	...	2	...	...	1	31	3	34	5	2
Paragon	118	41	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	42	...	42	6	3
Cabri	119	95	4	1	...	2	...	2	2	94	4	98	12	3
Ogema	120	39	4	2	...	3	...	1	1	40	6	46	8	6
Simpson	121	45	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	47	1	48	9	5
Azur	122	75	2	...	1	...	4	...	3	71	15	86	11	...
Lancer	123	49	2	...	...	1	...	2	...	48	3	51	8	...
Mount Hermon	124	69	10	...	1	1	...	...	1	78	2	80	12	6
Latomia	125	106	4	1	...	3	5	...	...	103	2	105	10	5
Cadillac	126	32	2	1	...	...	...	2	...	33	1	34	7	2
Birch Hills	127	50	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	51	3	54	8	5
Meyronne	128	48	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	49	2	51	9	2
Mossbank	129	51	1	...	1	1	...	1	...	51	1	52	10	3
Togo	130	40	...	1	...	1	2	2	...	36	3	39	10	4
Dinston	131	79	6	2	...	...	...	2	1	84	5	89	12	7
Conquest	132	37	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	39	4	43	9	2
Philathea	133	59	...	2	1	2	1	...	...	59	1	60	10	2
Eston	134	110	4	1	...	...	...	...	2	113	18	131	10	5
Elrose	135	72	4	...	...	...	...	2	1	73	3	76	12	4
St. George	136	179	8	2	3	3	1	1	4	183	29	212	10	10
Tyrian	137	32	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	31	8	39	12	1
Kincaid	138	70	8	...	...	...	...	1	2	75	9	84	11	1
Riverhurst	139	33	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	32	2	34	12	4
Sceptre	140	32	8	...	1	4	1	2	...	34	1	35	12	2
Progressive	141	68	5	...	...	1	3	...	1	68	3	71	12	6
Leader	142	64	4	...	...	11	...	...	...	57	4	61	10	...
Hawarden	143	42	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	41	...	41	...	1
Victory	144	201	18	4	2	5	...	3	2	215	21	236	10	22
Elfros	145	49	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	54	2	56	12	6
Asquith	146	35	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	37	...	37	10	3
Elstow	147	39	...	2	...	4	...	1	...	36	3	39	9	4
Dunblane	148	39	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	41	2	43	7	...
Loverna	149	34	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	37	4	41	11	...
Wawota	150	29	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	32	1	33	6	2
Viscount	151	43	2	1	...	...	...	1	...	45	2	47	7	3
Star City	152	54	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	57	3	60	11	6
Banner	154	228	17	3	3	4	1	6	5	235	32	267	...	...

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20		4	64.00	47.76	4,911.76		3,000.00	1	Yes
8		7	78.00	360.95	3,804.95		1,200.00	2	Yes
11	24.00	2	24.00	416.33	2,218.13	164.37	450.00	1	No
16	.....	6	36.00	1,071.66	18.00	42.00	5,700.00	1	Yes
22	.....	14	126.00	916.26	6,649.26	106.00	350.00	..	No
21	118.80	9	78.50	1,202.46	3,806.96	441.00	600.00	1	No
18	.....	15	120.00	31.31	2,784.94	357.00	2,100.00	1	Yes
18.5	.....	6	117.00	177.96	1,169.06	70.00	500.00	1	No
20	90.00	21	193.00	302.37	8,778.43	137.00	1,000.00	1	No
16	.....	11	62.50	104.87	3,668.26	185.00	400.00	1	No
29.3	.....	14	84.50	907.55	1,992.05	36.00	400.00	1	No
11	.....	.....	.....	94.30	2,374.30	25.00	1,700.00	1	Yes
14	30.00	13	173.00	168.86	3,372.86	43.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
15	.....	6	47.25	887.34	35.00	31.50	300.00	1	No
17	.....	2	18.00	347.53	1,963.53	.....	1,200.00	1	Pt.
12	.....	13	93.00	416.60	927.10	108.00	225.00	1	No
8.5	.....	7	54.00	253.23	1,150.00	50.00	200.00	1	No
24.5	.....	.....	99.00	157.25	5,006.25	.....	4,000.00	1	Yes
51.9	.....	3	30.00	310.27	4,615.27	35.00	2,250.00	2	Yes
13	.....	2	14.30	431.75	1,046.05	106.33	800.00	1	Yes
20	.....	22	332.00	435.33	6,167.33	.....	3,100.00	1	Yes
35	.....	28	264.00	221.43	2,821.43	.....	1,200.00	2	Yes
35	4.50	.....	.....	319.50	3,644.91	72.00	300.00	1	No
42	68.00	18	170.00	746.57	6,616.57	170.00	5,500.00	1	Pt.
12	.....	3	28.00	437.15	1,565.15	142.00	200.00	1	No
21	.....	5	77.50	85.89	6,865.89	1,338.26	6,000.00	1	Yes
10	10.00	6	60.00	110.00	175.00	.....	150.00	1	No
8	.....	12	300.00	188.92	8,488.92	.....	3,500.00	1	Yes
17.3	.....	4	22.00	42.41	2,867.68	150.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
27	120.00	5	45.00	396.41	4,121.41	60.00	2,750.00	1	Yes
11	.....	5	35.00	41.08	3,624.83	17.50	400.00	1	No
13	.....	14	179.50	670.84	3,975.34	58.25	1,600.00	2	No
29	.....	18	231.40	222.31	11,622.00	160.00	10,000.00	1	Yes
25	35.00	4	20.00	323.42	5,043.42	.....	3,300.00	1	Yes
52	180.00	16	139.00	716.83	3,188.33	131.00	1,300.00	1	No
11	.....	5	50.00	332.31	3,027.30	13.30	2,200.00	1	Yes
18	25.00	20	252.00	396.18	1,848.18	.....	250.00	1	No
13	40.00	1	28.00	318.76	3,327.26	60.00	2,750.00	1	Yes
52	.....	2	20.00	363.06	3,233.06	80.00	3,300.00	1	Yes
45	70.26	5	140.00	763.76	3,052.76	.....	2,750.00	1	Yes
45	.....	4	25.00	783.23	4,673.23	.....	4,500.00	1	Yes
15	30.00	.....	.....	280.91	2,605.91	12.00	1,900.00	1	Yes
28.2	.....	26	233.00	2,516.18	6,919.43	295.00	700.00	1	Pt.
16	.....	6	56.00	391.57	3,522.57	40.00	2,250.00	1	Yes
14.9	.....	3	15.00	250.34	2,115.34	.....	1,300.00	1	No
10	.....	7	90.00	155.02	1,143.02	32.00	.....	1	No
8	.....	4	36.00	233.00	2,669.00	.....	1,000.00	1	Yes
14.2	.....	2	12.30	254.77	625.00	110.70	200.00	1	No
11	.....	3	15.00	197.61	712.61	22.00	260.00	1	No
9	.....	21	260.00	49.05	3,027.05	.....	1,900.00	1	Yes
18	120.60	10	120.00	440.02	8,960.02	50.00	5,800.00	1	Yes

	No. of Lodge	Per Capita Membership March, 1948	Initiated	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended	Deaths	Com. L. Mbrs.	Per Capita Membership March, 1949	Com. L. Mbrs.	Total Membership	Meetings Held Regular	Meetings Held Emergent
Raymore	155	35	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	34	..	34	12	..
Avonlea	156	49	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	53	2	55	6	7
York	157	25	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	21	4	25	1	1
Borden	158	59	1	..	1	1	..	..	2	58	6	64	13	..
Cut Knife	160	47	1	..	1	1	..	2	4	42	4	46	10	2
Welwyn	161	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	1	23	5	2
Saltcoats	162	20	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	22	10	1
Fillmore	163	36	6	1	2	2	3	1	..	39	1	40	10	2
Milestone	164	51	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	51	3	54	..	..
St. Luke's	165	66	1	..	..	1	..	1	3	62	8	70	12	1
Wakaw	166	41	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	40	..	40	5	5
Preeceville	167	50	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	51	7	58	12	4
Earl Grey	168	42	6	..	1	2	..	..	..	47	3	50	12	4
Quill Lake	169	35	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	35	..	35	8	1
Sharon	170	36	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	32	1	33	8	1
Shellbrook	171	85	3	..	..	1	..	1	..	86	3	89	12	6
Memorial	172	82	5	1	1	..	..	1	2	86	5	91	10	8
Lakeview	173	43	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	41	1	42	11	1
St. Andrew's	174	293	23	8	2	4	..	1	..	321	9	330	..	..
Radville	175	50	3	1	1	..	1	2	..	52	2	54	8	4
Gray	176	50	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	44	6	50	..	..
Verwood	177	68	5	1	..	1	..	..	..	73	1	74	7	2
Norquay	178	26	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	25	..	25	1	1
Kelvington	179	42	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	42	..	42	10	4
Herbert	180	43	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	47	1	48	11	1
Tuberoze	181	51	3	1	1	3	..	1	..	52	4	56	12	3
Lonach	182	33	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	33	2	35	9	1
Nipawin	183	75	4	2	..	2	1	1	..	77	..	77	12	6
Osage	184	36	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	37	1	38	8	6
Loyalty	185	37	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	36	1	37	11	2
Emulation	186	105	15	1	..	3	..	1	..	117	4	121	..	..
Lucky Lake	187	32	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	28	3	31	9	1
Glenedyth	188	58	3	..	..	..	1	1	..	59	1	60	12	1
Herschel	189	42	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	41	1	42	10	2
Turtleford	190	40	5	1	..	2	..	..	..	44	..	44	11	3
Macrorie	191	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	30	11	2
Sovereign	192	45	3	..	..	1	..	2	..	45	..	45	10	3
Mazenod	193	36	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	36	3	39	10	2
Vanguard	194	48	2	..	..	1	1	1	2	45	2	47	9	1
Pleasantdale	195	36	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	37	..	37	12	4
Lacadena	196	71	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	67	1	68	12	2
Chaplin	197	37	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	39	..	39	12	1
Colfax	198	35	..	2	..	4	..	1	1	31	3	34	9	1
Admiral	199	25	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	24	..	24	10	3
Hudson Bay	200	50	4	1	..	1	..	..	..	54	1	55	10	5
Glentworth	201	29	7	..	..	1	..	1	..	34	..	34	12	4
Rose Valley	202	25	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	27	1	28	10	5
Meadow Lake	203	23	6	4	..	1	..	..	..	42	..	42	11	3
Northern Light	204	26	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	29	..	29	12	6
Aberdeen	205	30	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	35	..	35	9	9
Arborfield	206	12	13	1	..	..	..	..	..	26	..	26	8	10
Eatonia	U.D.	21	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	..	26	7	2

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14		2	24.00	86.39	1,860.39	53.69	1,750.00	1	Yes
14		5	73.38	79.07	4,129.07	64.00	3,500.00	1	Yes
7		9	95.65	661.74	997.39	63.80	300.00	1	No
22		13	210.00	778.64	2,488.64		1,800.00	1	Yes
12		12	160.00	664.31	1,999.31	70.00	250.00	1	No
8		1	8.00	346.97	479.97		150.00	1	No
11				11.66	2,011.66		2,000.00	1	Yes
8		3	25.00	1,325.34	1,750.34	14.00	400.00	1	No
20	60.00	9	76.98	233.61	2,702.42	28.00	3,375.00	1	Yes
9		15	297.50	663.71	2,011.21		500.00	1	No
20	74.00	3	21.00	156.35	3,137.35		1,600.00	1	Yes
15		7	84.00	760.55	2,344.55	66.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
8				210.02	460.02				Yes
12		9	148.00	260.00	3,408.00		4,070.00	1	Yes
22		17	281.00	748.32	2,667.32		1,000.00	1	No
22	30.00	23	225.00	1,135.80	2,651.80	333.25	300.00	1	No
15.8		3	20.00	106.61	811.61	28.00	250.00	1	No
33	47.48	2	16.00	236.91	3,564.24	128.00	300.00	2	Pt.
23		10	117.50	693.11	1,894.61	45.00	750.00	1	No
4		16	205.00	14.22	2,319.22	66.35		2	Yes
15	24.00	6	60.00	34.57	914.57	68.00	500.00	1	No
45.8		4	36.00	230.89	616.89	2.00	300.00	1	No
16		3	40.00	362.45	4,396.22		3,150.00	1	Yes
14	36.00	3	36.00	101.00	3,137.00	62.00	1,800.00	1	Yes
23	67.00	6	60.00	268.01	11,818.01	5,490.15	7,800.00	1	Yes
25	24.00	7	140.00	746.00	1,486.00		300.00	1	No
15	198.00	4	55.00	502.13	1,157.13		200.00	1	No
8				444.12	1,905.22	72.06	500.00	1	No
19.7	43.23	10	84.00	309.81	1,377.13	16.00	200.00	1	No
19		5	40.00	680.78	1,320.78		400.00	1	No
16	18.46	6	46.00	269.19	2,763.19	23.67	200.00	1	No
15				690.43	2,053.98	63.00	1,300.00	1	No
18.9				321.05	5,621.05		2,500.00	1	Yes
11		6	30.00	205.13	2,385.13		1,200.00	1	Yes
17.6		8	140.00	324.10	1,824.00		450.00	2	No
12		13	320.00	378.27	938.27		350.00	1	No
18		7	56.00	1,206.24	2,998.62	80.00	400.00	1	No
14		3	36.00	126.20	3,297.75		1,500.00	1	Yes
17	20.00	2	14.00	655.20	3,569.20	42.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
9	72.00	5	60.00	340.70	1,297.40	16.00	1,430.00	1	Yes
15.8		1	16.00	228.16	1,904.16		500.00	1	No
17				520.19	1,120.19		600.00	1	No
15				427.11	927.11		500.00	2	No
25				524.98	4,703.41	3,405.93	3,500.00	1	Yes
15		1	10.00	174.43	809.43	60.00	400.00	1	No
18.1				480.01	1,180.48	44.00	600.00	1	No
15				499.45	749.45	30.00		3	No
15		1	6.00	571.29	1,352.29	136.82	750.00	1	No

OFFICERS OF GRAND LODGE

Elected at its foundation, August, 1906, and annually since.

Year	G.M.	D.G.M.	G.S.W.	G.J.W.	Treas.	G. Sec'y.	Gr. Regist.
1906	H. H. Campkin	C. O. Davidson	H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	A. H. Smith
1907	H. H. Campkin	C. O. Davidson	H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	A. H. Smith
1908	C. O. Davidson	H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	J. McGuirl	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	H. C. Lisle
1909	H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	Wm. Hopkins	J. McGuirl	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	A. C. Patterson
1910	W. B. Tate	Wm. Hopkins	A. S. Gorrell	W. B. Willoughby	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. S. Proctor
1911	Wm. Hopkins	A. S. Gorrell	W. B. Willoughby	L. T. McDonald	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	D. P. Kennedy
1912	A. S. Gorrell	W. B. Willoughby	L. T. McDonald	W. M. Thomson	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1913	W. B. Willoughby	L. T. McDonald	W. M. Thomson	J. H. Anderson	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1914	L. T. McDonald	W. M. Thomson	J. H. Anderson	R. Young	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1915	W. M. Thomson	J. H. Anderson	R. Young	J. McCauley	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1916	J. H. Anderson	R. Young	J. McCauley	R. Young	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1917	R. Young	J. McCauley	R. Young	N. B. Williams	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1918	R. Young	N. B. Williams	N. B. Williams	E. L. Elwood	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1919	N. B. Williams	E. L. Elwood	E. L. Elwood	G. M. Weir	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1920	E. L. Elwood	G. M. Weir	G. M. Weir	J. W. MacNeill	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1921	G. M. Weir	J. W. MacNeill	J. W. MacNeill	D. A. Kingsbury	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1922	J. W. MacNeill	D. A. Kingsbury	D. A. Kingsbury	G. Swain	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1923	D. A. Kingsbury	G. Swain	G. Swain	W. J. Smith	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1924	G. Swain	W. J. Smith	W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1925	W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	W. M. Martin	J. K. Irwin	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1926	W. M. Martin	J. K. Irwin	J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1927	J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1928	J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1929	C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	J. McGregor	F. B. Reilly	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1930	J. McGregor	F. B. Reilly	F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1931	F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	N. R. Craig	M. A. Mackay	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1932	N. R. Craig	M. A. Mackay	M. A. Mackay	T. W. Sutherland	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1933	M. A. Mackay	T. W. Sutherland	T. W. Sutherland	J. R. Yorke	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1934	T. W. Sutherland	J. R. Yorke	J. R. Yorke	M. Muskat	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1935	J. R. Yorke	M. Muskat	M. Muskat	S. C. Burton	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1936	M. Muskat	S. C. Burton	S. C. Burton	H. M. Underhill	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1937	S. C. Burton	H. M. Underhill	H. M. Underhill	A. O. Brooks	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1938	H. M. Underhill	A. O. Brooks	A. O. Brooks	T. C. Sealey	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1939	A. O. Brooks	T. C. Sealey	T. C. Sealey	D. Fraser	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1940	T. C. Sealey	D. Fraser	D. Fraser	S. J. A. Branson	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1941	D. Fraser	S. J. A. Branson	S. J. A. Branson	F. C. Carter	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1942	S. J. A. Branson	F. C. Carter	F. C. Carter	F. C. Hayes	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1943	F. C. Carter	F. C. Hayes	F. C. Hayes	W. L. Clink	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1944	F. C. Hayes	W. L. Clink	W. L. Clink	H. Mackay	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1945	W. L. Clink	H. Mackay	H. Mackay	F. C. Wilson	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1946	H. Mackay	F. C. Wilson	F. C. Wilson	W. H. Moor	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1947	F. C. Wilson	W. H. Moor	W. H. Moor	F. Hedley Auld	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1948	W. H. Moor	F. Hedley Auld	F. Hedley Auld	R. R. McEwen	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1949	F. Hedley Auld	R. R. McEwen	R. R. McEwen	E. C. Bird	A. Sheppard	J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly

* Deceased.

† Left the Jurisdiction

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

<i>To Sask.</i>	<i>Jurisdiction</i>	<i>From Sask.</i>
F. T. Fraser.....Tisdale	Alabama.....	W. L. Moseley.....Prichard
A. A. Wilson.....Regina	Alberta.....	W. J. Botterill.....Red Deer
A. Greaves.....Saskatoon	Arizona.....	J. K. Chilton.....Clifton
R. W. Kirkby.....Prince Albert	Arkansas.....	J. Leroy Davis.....Dequeen
W. McDougald.....Rosetown	Br. Columbia.....	H. B. Morley.....Penticton
Fred C. Wilson.....Regina	Canada in Ont.	R. E. Mills.....Elora
F. J. Truran.....Qu'Appelle	Chile.....	Clifford A. Nunn.....Santiago
	Colombia.....	
W. C. Shearer.....Nipawin	Colorado.....	C. S. Desch, Jr.....Denver
C. C. Cameron.....Stoughton	Connecticut.....	G. B. Lewis.....Naugatuck
R. H. Chant.....Foam Lake	Costa Rica.....	Alex Murray.....San Jose
S. R. Stephens.....Moose Jaw	Cuba.....	Jaime de Sola Graupera.....Habana
G. H. Hummel.....Nokomis	Delaware.....	A. H. Morris.....Lewes
W. M. Martin.....Regina	Denmark (Nat. Gd. Ldg. of).....	Alex Troedsson.....Copenhagen
	D. of Columbia.....	H. F. Johnson.....Washington
W. M. Martin.....Regina	England.....	T. T. Blockley.....Oxford
J. R. Young.....Saskatoon	Florida.....	Wm. F. Hansen.....Pensacola
F. H. Auld.....Regina	France (Nat. Gd. Ldg. of).....	G. H. Hargreaves.....Paris
J. D. Watson.....Regina	Georgia.....	A. T. Harrison.....Brunswick
A. W. L. Mann.....Tessier	Idaho.....	H. P. Glinderman.....C. d'Alene
Robt. A. Tate.....Regina	Illinois.....	Roscoe C. Clark.....LaGrange
A. Wilson.....Moose Jaw	Indiana.....	S. B. Pettengill.....South Bend
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W. B. Tate.....Regina	Ireland.....	J. W. H. Davies.....Waterford
E. H. Knowles.....Regina	Kansas.....	J. H. Trice.....Medicine Lodge
Wm. Pedersen.....Milestone	Kentucky.....	W. C. Black.....Barbourville
T. J. Ford.....Saskatoon	Louisiana.....	C. P. Derveloy.....Alexandria
H. Mackay.....Kerrobert	Maine.....	A. A. Smith.....Bangor
F. C. Hayes.....Swift Current	Manitoba.....	Harry Gray.....Winnipeg
A. H. Stevens.....Climax	Maryland.....	Arch M. Hutcheson.....Cumberland
A. E. Miscampbell.....Regina	Massachusetts.....	James Young.....Salem
	Mexico (York).....	H. M. Campbell.....Mexico City
C. P. Moore.....Weyburn	Michigan.....	J. Kenneth Lyons.....Grand Rapids
C. H. Boyd.....Moose Jaw	Minnesota.....	R. E. Van Kirk.....St. Paul
J. E. McLarty.....N. Battleford	Mississippi.....	N. S. Kearney.....Leland
J. O. Clarke.....Regina	Missouri.....	W. S. MacAaron.....Boonville
W. J. Smith.....Regina	Montana.....	H. C. Smith.....Miles City
M. Musk.....Prince Albert	Nebraska.....	H. H. Thom.....Omaha
A. S. Pipes.....Moose Jaw	Nevada.....	F. H. Norcross.....Carson City
	New Brunsw'k.....	J. McAlden.....St. John
J. N. Hanbidge.....Humboldt	New Hampsh'e.....	J. J. Tilton.....Effing
G. G. Grant.....Regina	New Jersey.....	J. W. Kempson.....Maplewood
T. H. Pendlebury.....Moose Jaw	New Mexico.....	F. H. Alpers.....Cimarron
T. L. Ferguson.....Shaunavon	N.S. Wales.....	F. L. Hodgson.....Sydney
S. J. A. Branion.....P. Albert	New York.....	M. M. Levison.....New York
E. H. M. Knowles.....Regina	New Zealand.....	J. D. Webster.....Auckland
A. M. Bell.....Adanac	N. Carolina.....	H. A. Hewell.....Henderson
J. R. Yorke.....Regina	N. Dakota.....	P. O. Sathre.....Bismarck
N. R. Craig.....Moose Jaw	Nova Scotia.....	H. C. Oxley.....Sheet Harbour
P. K. Brown.....Weyburn	Ohio.....	G. W. Montgomery.....Youngston
E. W. Heffer.....Tompkins	Oklahoma.....	W. E. Goode.....Canton
H. S. Maxwell.....Regina	Oregon.....	I. W. Hope.....Vale

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C. S. Preston	Carnduff	Paraiba	D. Mororo.	Joao Pessoa	
F. A. Williamson.....	Regina	Ph. Islands.....	Vin. Orosa	Cabanatuan	
H. A. Cathro	Avonlea	P.E. Island	Wm. McLean	Kensington	
		Puerto Rico.....	R. R. Pabon	San Juan	
W. O. Fraser.....	Oxbow	Quebec	G. S. Burrows...	St. Lambert	
A. F. McFaul.....	Zealandia	Queensland	N. J. Langtry..	Brisbane	
T. Guest.....	Saskatoon	Rhode Island.....	J. C. Collins.....	Providence	
J. E. Rodney	KerRobert	Rio de Janeiro	I. D. Costa	Rio de Janeiro	
R. Young	Prince Albert	Scotland.	Rt. Hon. Earl of Stair	Edinburgh	
R. L. Hanbidge	KerRobert	S. Australia	J. E. Walton.....	Adelaide	
J. C. Carter	Outlook	S. Carolina.....	J. E. Hart	York	
A. C. Running	Admiral	S. Dakota	E. M. Westby.....	Madison	
W. H. Moor	Saskatoon	Tennessee.....	B. T. Dawkins.....	Memphis	
A. G. McLean.....	Raymore	Texas	J. M. Martin.....	Abilene	
F. A. Dunk	Regina	Utah	J. F. Woolley...	Salt Lake City	
W. L. Clink.....	Estevan	Vermont.	J. C. Thomas	Orwell	
Wm. Leith	Glamis	Victoria	R. G. Ball	Melbourne	
D. Fraser	Regina	Virginia	J. L. Brown	Lynchburg	
A. O. Brooks	Abernethy	Washington	J. M. Roberts	Tacoma	
E. C. Bird	Regina	W. Australia	Ven. Dean Moore	Perth	
R. R. McEwen	Kinistino	W. Virginia	Ward M. Downs	Charleston	
F. M. Hodson	Rosthern	Wisconsin.....	C. Kummer	Sheboygan	

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Arkansas.....	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia.....	W. R. Simpson.....	Vancouver
California	L. E. Wilson.....	San Francisco
Canada in Ontario	E. G. Dixon.....	Hamilton
Chile.....	J. Eduardo Pastene	Santiago
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Colorado.....	H. W. Bundy.....	Denver
Connecticut.....	E. K. Haling.....	Hartford
Costa Rica	Enrique Chaves Bolanos	San Jose
Cuba.....	C. P. Gutierrez	La Habana
Cuscatlan.....	J. L. Tellez	San Salvador
Delaware	C. R. Jones	Wilmington
Denmark (Nat. Grand Lodge of)	Alex Troedsson	Copenhagen
District of Columbia.....	A. H. Clayton	Washington
England	S. A. White	London, W.C. 2
Florida	G. W. Huff	Jacksonville
Georgia.....	D. W. Locklin.....	Macon
Guatemala.....	Jose O. Castaneda.....	Guatemala
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Illinois	R. C. Davenport	Harrisburg
Indiana	D. L. Smith.....	Indianapolis
Iowa.....	E. B. Delzell	Cedar Rapids
Ireland.....	H. C. Shellard	Dublin

Kansas	E. F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	A. E. Orton	Louisville
Louisiana	D. P. Laguens	New Orleans
Maine	C. E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	P. T. Pilkey	Winnipeg
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Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City
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Nova Scotia	R. V. Harris	Halifax
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Utah	E. R. Gibson	Salt Lake City
Vermont	A. H. Grout	Burlington
Victoria	W. Stewart	Melbourne
Virginia	Dr. J. N. Hillman	Richmond
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Wyoming	I. E. Clark	Casper

LODGE DIRECTORY

Lodges marked with an (*) install on anniversary of St. John the Baptist. All other Lodges install on anniversary of St. John the Evangelist.

For location and date of meeting see District Directory following:

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist No.
1	Kinistino.....	R. Wylie	W. E. Bristowe.....	1
2	Wascana	L. C. Moffatt	H. Willsmer	2
3	Moose Jaw.....	W. H. Gusa	J. Wilson	3
4	Qu'Appelle	A. H. Seymour.....	P. E. Cooper.....	4
5	Indian Head.....	John Walker	F. O. Burrill	4
6	*Qu'Appelle	Gilbert Prior	J. F. Bell	4
7	*Moosomin.....	L. G. Mountney.....	.....	9
8	Ashlar	Henry Cosgrave.....	J. G. Telford	9
9	Maple Leaf	R. Bennett	A. M. Currie	11
10	Evening Star.....	George Keedwell	Edgar B. Claxton.....	9
11	N.W.M.P.	C. F. Gilhespy.....	H. R. Bennett	2
12	Yorkton	W. B. Motion	T. R. Luke	10
13	Rosthern-Duck Lake	J. E. Luke	E. St. G. Hodson	1
14	*Sintaluta.....	J. M. Bonnor	H. M. Balfour	4
15	Amity	Alex C. Bonnor	W. J. McGowan	8
16	Saskatchewan.....	Rovis Reeves	F. E. Smith Jones	5
17	*Carlyle	A. N. McLeod	R. A. Brown	8
18	*Melfort	Irvine Scott	W. Lonsdale	1
19	Battle	H. T. Richardson	H. S. May	7
20	Weyburn	L. L. Gray	P. K. Brown	6
21	*Arcola	W. M. Kehoe	P. B. Thomson	8
23	Britannia	G. P. Cummine	B. Ellis	7
24	*Wolseley	C. G. Marshall	Wm. McClenaghan	4
25	Estevan	J. H. Cuddington.....	G. C. Lawrence	8
26	Swift Current	E. P. M. Anderson	J. H. Sinclair	11
27	Alameda	G. H. Ward	J. P. Gordon	8
28	Hanley	W. H. Dean	F. J. Lloyd	5
29	*Heward	L. W. Harper	F. G. Burns	8
30	*New Hope	C. C. Bowes	W. G. Cameron	8
31	Ionic.....	Donald Grant	A. E. Blower	7
32	Golden Rule	H. W. R. Atkinson	J. R. Wood	2
33	Davidson	J. Lockwood	H. Edam	5
34	*Lang	G. N. Morrow	A. H. Barmby.....	6
35	*Prince Rupert.....	H. I. Richman	C. W. Bossons	15
36	Bruce	A. Dundas	J. N. McGillivray	6
37	*Wapella	D. H. Morrison	J. C. Tocher	9
38	Ekapo	B. R. Fitzgerald	C. I. Thacker	9
39	Boscurvis	L. H. Bergstrom.....	A. L. Moir	8
40	Rouleau.....	J. T. Rogers	S. K. Johnston	2
41	Drinkwater.....	S. Hilderman.....	W. L. Woodger	2
42	Caron.....	R. B. Dalrymple	R. C. McLaughlin	3
43	Ishpaming.....	J. J. Farquhar	G. H. Elliott	5
44	*Landmark.....	A. H. Bexfield	H. Moore	7
45	*Aurora	D. Hare	R. W. Mercer	10
46	*Strasbourg.....	J. A. Miller	W. A. Richardson	16
47	*Cupar	T. W. Davidson	G. A. Riches	4
48	Grayson	C. E. Bell	S. Asplund	9
49	Assiniboia	C. S. Macdonald	W. Green	2
50	*Golden Fleece.....	D. Lockeridge	R. H. Barlow	6

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51	Touchwood	F. T. Winslade	H. M. Creadon	16
52	Border	F. W. Dellow	T. L. Moore	8
53	Nanatah	A. Moffett	J. H. Humm	4
54	*Buchanan	George Lundmark	A. C. Jennings	10
55	*Craik	E. J. Bisson	G. W. McLean	2
56	*Elbow View	H. J. Lackey	H. F. Donaldson	17
57	*Prairie	F. B. Sitter	W. C. Chapman	13
58	King Solomon	W. B. Carss	H. W. Pearce	10
59	*Canora	F. G. Stronach	D. Rowlands	10
60	Imperial	D. C. Disbery	R. G. Perriam	5
61	*Rocanville	C. J. Barber	R. G. Rook	9
62	*Melville	C. W. Morgan	L. V. Dowker	10
63	Prince Albert	F. W. Topping	J. F. Brown	1
64	Manitou	T. R. Strachan	L. B. Rands	16
65	*Outlook	A. M. Erskine	J. C. Davison	17
66	*Wynyard	J. C. Jolley	C. E. Spencer	15
67	*Eyebrow	J. L. Charteris	N. J. MacDonald	3
68	Govan	J. A. Brown	E. F. Dickey	16
69	*Carrot River	H. J. Dunlop	R. J. Humphrey	1
70	Cypress	M. B. Sharpe	R. H. Sweeting	11
71	Doric	H. H. York	S. R. Stephens	3
72	Corinthian	R. M. Stinson	W. H. Kerr	2
73	*Unity	James Parks	J. P. Fawcett	13
74	*Kilwinning	H. B. Goodhew	A. M. Bell	13
75	*Harmony	F. A. Wilmut	A. E. Friend	13
76	Tisdale	D. R. Lamb	G. M. Creed	1
77	*Abernethy	J. F. Stueck	A. C. Legaarden	4
78	Tugaske	R. E. Triggs	T. W. Russell	3
79	*Foam Lake	R. D. McKenzie	G. C. Hick	15
80	Connaught	J. M. Corning	A. Campbell	9
81	*Tuscan	J. E. MacIntyre	Chas. Simpson	16
82	*Victoria	M. Ritchie	M. G. Thoen	12
83	*Meridian	Duncan MacLeod	W. E. Kilpatrick	13
84	*Lanigan	A. S. Hawes	W. H. Barclay	15
85	*Zealandia	F. Curda	R. R. Greenman	12
86	Kindersley	H. L. Fraleigh	L. P. Kincaid	12
87	*Wadena	L. E. Brierley	R. E. Forbes	15
88	*Briercrest	J. T. Lyons	A. Robbie	3
89	Twin City	J. P. Jasper	R. Horspool	5
90	*Kerrobert	G. W. King	A. K. Murdock	13
91	*Rosetown	N. H. Wickett	W. H. Blakely	12
92	Lodge Progress	T. O. Stow	T. Graham	5
93	*Morse	R. K. Penry	H. Dick	11
94	Maryfield	H. S. Gates	J. M. Lipsey	9
95	*Evergreen	R. J. Bryant	W. A. Stevens	5
96	Yellow Grass	A. D. Knouse	P. C. Hill	6
97	*Radisson	A. M. Scott	H. E. Fennell	7
98	*Union	J. Anderson	R. J. Eley	16
99	*Goose Lake	J. G. Wylie	H. S. Riddell	5
100	Bigear	A. B. Johnson	A. D. Dean	13
101	Acacia	W. R. Bahr	H. R. Woodley	16
102	*Invermay	John McChesney	G. Telfer	15
103	Composite	W. J. Sawyer	J. E. Ross	9
104	King Hiram	J. Burns	C. L. Smith	2
105	Gothic	D. G. Scheidt	H. E. Marshall	13

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106	St. John's.....	L. V. Dow.....	A. Riches.....	14
107	Mortlach.....	A. Hansen.....	R. G. McIlroy.....	3
108	*Long Lake.....	M. S. Woepfel.....	J. Martin.....	16
109	Limerick.....	R. N. Hamilton.....	H. J. Gordon.....	14
110	Shaunavon.....	D. R. Owens.....	T. L. Ferguson.....	14
111	*Aneroid.....	C. E. Shannon.....	W. N. Breckon.....	14
112	Woodrow.....	D. B. Hooker.....		14
113	*Broderick.....	N. S. Taylor.....	J. Gifford.....	17
114	*Central Butte.....	A. C. Marjerison.....	R. S. Hemsworth.....	3
115	*Landis.....	John Sample.....	P. S. Weber.....	13
116	*Ceylon.....	W. F. Baker.....	P. W. Westlake.....	6
117	*Dundurn.....	R. F. Wilson.....	W. H. Cooper.....	5
118	*Paragon.....			13
119	Cabri.....	J. R. Johnson.....	J. S. Backus.....	11
120	*Ogema.....	S. Severson.....	R. C. Smith.....	6
121	*Simpson.....	S. H. Alterman.....	S. J. Caught.....	16
122	Azure.....	A. G. MacIntyre.....	R. R. Blissett.....	14
123	*Lancer.....	R. L. Wright.....	O. Symington.....	11
124	Mount Hermon.....	T. A. Graham.....	E. Housego.....	11
125	Latomia.....	W. H. Benson.....	W. H. Hart.....	6
126	*Cadillac.....	G. E. Robinson.....	J. Ness.....	14
127	*Birch Hills.....	B. Bowman.....	W. R. A. Orton.....	1
128	Meyronne.....	J. D. Myers.....	M. E. McCulloch.....	14
129	*Mossbank.....	Thos. Balfour, Sr.....	S. W. Buffet.....	3
130	Togo.....	A. P. Appel.....	N. W. Dubasov.....	10
131	*Dinston.....	H. A. Clarke.....	C. C. Lawrence.....	17
132	*Conquest.....	B. W. T. Henderson.....	H. A. Head.....	17
133	Philathea.....	W. T. Riach.....	J. H. Marvin.....	16
134	Eston.....	M. T. Owens.....	G. Struthers.....	12
135	*Elrose.....	F. B. Hammond.....	D. W. Graber.....	12
136	St. George.....	A. H. Herd.....	H. J. Reid.....	3
137	*Tyrian.....	A. Pearson.....	D. Marr.....	7
138	Kincaid.....	G. W. G. Christian.....	M. Rodger.....	14
139	*Riverhurst.....	S. E. Turner.....	H. W. Ellerton.....	17
140	Sceptre.....	O. L. Storey.....	E. J. Armstrong.....	11
141	Progressive.....	C. Pentland.....	E. W. Heffer.....	11
142	*Leader.....	G. A. Cocks.....	F. E. Priebe.....	11
143	*Hawarden.....	R. J. Pettman.....	E. A. Hudson.....	17
144	Victory.....	J. W. Welsh.....	A. W. Gunn.....	5
145	*Elfros.....	F. E. Wood.....	S. G. Kristjanson Jr.....	15
146	*Asquith.....	N. A. Dingwall.....	B. N. Forsyth.....	5
147	*Elstow.....	F. W. Hanson.....	P. J. Warner.....	5
148	*Dunblane.....	J. Sinclair.....	D. A. B. Cameron.....	17
149	Loverna.....	R. G. Bolton.....	J. W. Krauss.....	13
150	*Wawota.....	H. M. Allison.....	G. B. Underhill.....	9
151	*Viscount.....	S. Wade.....	B. K. Lee.....	15
152	Star City.....	J. M. Lundquist.....	H. J. Collison.....	1
154	Banner.....	R. C. Cook.....	A. E. Miscampbell.....	2
155	Raymore.....	C. S. Digney.....	J. Riddel.....	16
156	*Avonlea.....	J. E. Hayes.....	H. A. Cathro.....	3
157	*York.....	F. C. Rombough.....	H. B. Hoar.....	10
158	Borden.....	C. A. Orchard.....	O. Brand.....	7
160	*Cut Knife.....	H. Blair.....	R. E. Brown.....	7
161	*Welwyn.....	J. Van Male.....	J. C. Hislop.....	9
162	Saltcoats.....	G. H. Gunn.....	J. W. Kennedy.....	10

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163	*Fillmore	Ira E. Good	Edgar Taylor	8
164	Milestone	C. R. Smith	W. G. Switzer	2
165	*St. Luke's	N. C. Newton	D. M. McIntosh	13
166	*Wakaw			1
167	*Preeceville	S. B. Fainstein	A. G. Buck	10
168	*Earl Grey	W. A. Monahan	H. Edenoste	4
169	*Quill Lake	Donald Metcalf	T. A. Tennent	15
170	*Sharon	W. F. Harrow	R. J. Varley	3
171	*Shellbrook	N. L. Horley	J. W. Payne	1
172	*Memorial	George Dash	R. Mayes	3
173	*Lakeview	Wm. Nesbitt	G. H. Johnson	5
174	St. Andrews	Jas. Luttman	E. G. Bourne	2
175	Radville	R. A. Evans	J. A. Williamson	6
176	*Gray	G. D. Hannan	W. Dunning	2
177	*Verwood	J. S. Weal	W. S. Nevill	14
178	*Norquay			10
179	Kelvington	P. J. Fraser	R. Thoms	15
180	*Herbert	R. L. Shaw	Richard Farrell	11
181	*Tuberoose	Lenox Draper	I. H. Pittman	12
182	*Lonach	A. K. Pryor	W. R. Gordon	7
183	Nipawin	G. L. Bigelow	W. C. Shearer	1
184	*Osage	F. Glover	F. E. Driver	6
185	*Loyalty	F. L. Myers	J. Birse	7
186	*Emulation	A. H. Diston	W. A. Silverthorn	2
187	*Lucky Lake	H. C. Grose	W. McLean	17
188	*Glenedyth	J. Burns	A. H. Stevens	14
189	*Herschel	D. P. Cruickshank	E. Rutherford	12
190	*Turtleford	Jas. Ballantyne	C. W. Reed	7
191	*Macrorie	H. G. Shetterly	R. L. Maxfield	17
192	*Sovereign	W. S. Hunt	W. P. Crawford	17
193	*Mazenod	A. B. Cochlan	E. P. Line	3
194	*Vanguard	J. H. Mitchell	C. R. Richards	14
195	*Pleasantdale	M. F. Cameron	S. B. Shields	1
196	*Lacadena	A. Lorenzen	K. O. Oddson	12
197	*Chaplin	R. A. Donnelly	W. R. Gunning	3
198	Colfax	E. G. Pope	T. C. Morton	6
199	Admiral	A. S. Hedstrom	J. A. Running	14
200	*Hudson Bay	M. J. Axtell	T. W. Gilmour	10
201	Glentworth	D. J. Vansickle	G. M. Walker	14
202	Rose Valley	E. L. Sigstad	K. Opheim	15
203	Meadow Lake	D. A. Dunlop	E. P. Woodman	7
204	Northern Light	R. Sipes	F. E. Wagar	7
205	Aberdeen	J. R. Riches	I. H. Lowery	5
206	Arborfield	H. Gilbertson	W. Birch	1
207	Eatonia	F. J. Taylor	V. O. Peters	12

DISTRICT DIRECTORY

DISTRICT NO. 1—D.D.G.M., DR. J. L. CONNELL, PRINCE ALBERT

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
1	Kinistino	Prince Albert	1st Friday
13	Rosthern Duck Lake	Rosthern	3rd Wednesday
18	Melfort	Melfort	1st Tuesday

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
63	Prince Albert	Prince Albert	2nd Friday
69	Carrot River	Kinistino	2nd Monday
76	Tisdale	Tisdale	Wednesday on or before
127	Birch Hills	Birch Hills	2nd Tuesday
152	Star City	Star City	Thursday on or before
166	Wakaw	Wakaw	Monday on or after
171	Shellbrook	Shellbrook	1st Tuesday
183	Nipawin	Nipawin	2nd Thursday
195	Pleasantdale	Pleasantdale	Thursday on or after
206	Arboretum	Arboretum	1st Monday

DISTRICT No. 2—D.D.G.M., THOMAS ANDREW, REGINA

2	Wascana	Regina	1st Tuesday
11	N.W.M.P.	Regina	3rd Tuesday
32	Golden Rule	Pense	3rd Thursday
40	Rouleau	Rouleau	2nd Tuesday
41	Drinkwater	Drinkwater	Thursday on or before
49	Assiniboia	Regina	3rd Friday
55	Craik	Craik	2nd Tuesday
72	Corinthian	Lumsden	Friday on or before
104	King Hiram	Regina	2nd Tuesday
154	Banner	Regina	3rd Monday
164	Milestone	Milestone	1st Thursday
174	St. Andrew's	Regina	3rd Wednesday
176	Gray	Gray	1st Tuesday
186	Emulation	Regina	4th Thursday

DISTRICT No. 3—D.D.G.M., JAMES P. FARMER, PALMER

3	Moose Jaw	Moose Jaw	2nd Tuesday
42	Caron	Caron	2nd Thursday
67	Eyebrow	Eyebrow	2nd Tuesday
71	Doric	Moose Jaw	1st Wednesday
78	Tugaske	Tugaske	Monday on or before
88	Briercrest	Briercrest	3rd Wednesday
107	Mortlach	Mortlach	Tuesday on or before
114	Central Butte	Central Butte	3rd Monday
129	Mossbank	Mossbank	Wednesday on or before
136	St. George	Moose Jaw	3rd Friday
156	Avonlea	Avonlea	2nd Monday
170	Sharon	Bateman	3rd Tuesday
172	Memorial	Moose Jaw	2nd Thursday
193	Mazenod	Mazenod	1st Tuesday
197	Chaplin	Chaplin	2nd Monday

DISTRICT No. 4—D.D.G.M., J. A. STUECK, ABERNETHY

4	Qu'Appelle Valley	Fort Qu'Appelle	3rd Wednesday
5	Indian Head	Indian Head	Thursday on or before
6	Qu'Appelle	Qu'Appelle	Tuesday on or before
14	Sintaluta	Sintaluta	Tuesday on or before
24	Wolseley	Wolseley	3rd Wednesday
47	Cupar	Cupar	2nd Tuesday
53	Nanatah	Balcarres	2nd Monday
77	Abernethy	Abernethy	1st Thursday
168	Earl Grey	Earl Grey	Wednesday on or before

DISTRICT No. 5—D.D.G.M., DR. MORRIS HERMAN, DAVIDSON

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
16	Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	1st Tuesday
28	Hanley	Hanley	3rd Thursday
33	Davidson	Davidson	Thursday on or before
43	Ishpaming	Langham	Wednesday on or before
60	Imperial	Saskatoon	2nd Wednesday
89	Twin City	Sutherland	2nd Monday
92	Lodge Progress	Saskatoon	1st Thursday
95	Evergreen	Harris	Wednesday on or before
99	Goose Lake	Delisle	Monday on or before
117	Dundurn	Dundurn	3rd Wednesday
144	Victory	Saskatoon	2nd Saturday
146	Asquith	Asquith	Friday on or before
147	Elstow	Elstow	Thursday on or before
173	Lakeview	Tessier	3rd Tuesday
205	Aberdeen	Aberdeen	1st Thursday

DISTRICT No. 6—D.D.G.M., N. H. PENFOLD, LANG

20	Weyburn	Weyburn	1st Monday
34	Lang	Lang	4th Tuesday
36	Bruce	Francis	1st Tuesday
50	Golden Fleece	Halbrite	Monday on or after
96	Yellow Grass	Yellow Grass	Wednesday on or before
116	Ceylon	Ceylon	2nd Wednesday
120	Ogema	Ogema	2nd Monday
125	Latomia	Weyburn	3rd Friday
175	Radville	Radville	2nd Thursday
184	Osage	Osage	3rd Wednesday
198	Colfax	Colfax	2nd Thursday

DISTRICT No. 7—D.D.G.M., J. A. GORDON, MARSDEN

19	Battle	Battleford	1st Thursday
23	Britannia	Lloydminster	3rd Thursday
31	Ionic	North Battleford	2nd Friday
44	Landmark	Lashburn	Thursday on or before
97	Radisson	Radisson	Tuesday on or after
137	Tyrian	Edam	Tuesday on or before
158	Borden	Borden	Monday on or before
160	Cut Knife	Cut Knife	2nd Thursday
182	Lonach	Marsden	2nd Monday
185	Loyalty	Ruddell	Thursday on or before
190	Turtleford	Turtleford	2nd Thursday
203	Meadow Lake	Meadow Lake	3rd Friday
204	Northern Light	Loon Lake	2nd Tuesday

DISTRICT No. 8—D.D.G.M., W. HOPKINS, BIENFAIT

15	Amity	Carnduff	2nd Thursday
17	Carlyle	Carlyle	3rd Monday
21	Arcola	Arcola	2nd Monday
25	Estevan	Estevan	3rd Friday
27	Alameda	Alameda	Tuesday on or before
29	Heward	Heward	Tuesday on or before
30	New Hope	Stoughton	1st Thursday
39	Boscourvis	Oxbow	3rd Monday
52	Border	Gainsborough	Monday on or before
163	Fillmore	Fillmore	2nd Thursday

DISTRICT No. 9—D.D.G.M., H. B. LOWE, BROADVIEW

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
7	Moosomin	Moosomin	1st Wednesday
8	Ashlar	Whitewood	3rd Tuesday
10	Evening Star	Grenfell	2nd Tuesday
37	Wapella	Wapella	3rd Wednesday
38	Ekapo	Broadview	2nd Wednesday
48	Grayson	Dubuc	Wednesday on or before
61	Rocanville	Rocanville	2nd Monday
80	Connaught	Windthorst	Tuesday on or before
94	Maryfield	Maryfield	1st Tuesday
103	Composite	Kennedy	Thursday on or before
150	Wawota	Wawota	Wednesday on or before
161	Welwyn	Welwyn	3rd Tuesday

DISTRICT No. 10—D.D.G.M., D. M. WILLIAMS, YORKTON

12	Yorkton	Yorkton	1st Friday
45	Aurora	Theodore	3rd Monday
54	Buchanan	Buchanan	1st Tuesday
58	King Solomon	Kamsack	2nd Wednesday
59	Canora	Canora	4th Tuesday
62	Melville	Melville	4th Thursday
130	Togo	Togo	1st Wednesday
157	York	Churchbridge	2nd Wednesday
162	Saltcoats	Saltcoats	Wednesday on or before
167	Preeceville	Preeceville	3rd Wednesday
178	Norquay	Norquay	Thursday on or before
200	Hudson Bay	Hudson Bay	1st Tuesday

DISTRICT No. 11—D.D.G.M., W. F. LINKLATER, LEADER

9	Maple Leaf	Maple Creek	Thursday on or before
26	Swift Current	Swift Current	1st Tuesday
70	Cypress	Gull Lake	3rd Monday
93	Morse	Morse	1st Monday
119	Cabri	Cabri	1st Monday
123	Lancer	Lancer	2nd Tuesday
124	Mount Hermon	Pennant	Thursday on or before
140	Sceptre	Sceptre	1st Tuesday
141	Progressive	Tompkins	Wednesday on or before
142	Leader	Leader	Monday on or before
180	Herbert	Herbert	3rd Tuesday

DISTRICT No. 12—D.D.G.M., I. H. PITTMAN, KYLE

82	Victoria	Alsask	1st Tuesday
85	Zealandia	Zealandia	2nd Tuesday
86	Kindersley	Kindersley	1st Thursday
91	Rosetown	Rosetown	3rd Tuesday
134	Eston	Eston	4th Tuesday
135	Elrose	Elrose	3rd Monday
181	Tuberoose	Kyle	2nd Thursday
189	Herschel	Herschel	1st Monday
196	Lacadena	Lacadena	2nd Tuesday
207	Eatonia	Eatonia	Wednesday on or before

DISTRICT No. 13—D.D.G.M., T. C. EYRE, LUSELAND

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
57	Prairie	Wilkie	3rd Tuesday
73	Unity	Unity	2nd Wednesday
74	Kilwinning	Adanac	Thursday on or before
75	Harmony	Perdue	1st Thursday
83	Meridian	Macklin	Wednesday on or before
90	Kerrobot	Kerrobot	1st Thursday
100	Biggar	Biggar	2nd Tuesday
105	Gothic	Luseland	2nd Monday
115	Landis	Landis	2nd Thursday
118	Paragon	Kelfield	1st Tuesday
149	Loverna	Loverna	3rd Monday
165	St. Luke's	Plenty	2nd Tuesday

DISTRICT No. 14—D.D.G.M., A. D. GRAHAM, KINCAID

106	St. John's	Assiniboia	1st Wednesday
109	Limerick	Limerick	Tuesday on or before
110	Shaunavon	Shaunavon	2nd Wednesday
111	Aneroid	Aneroid	2nd Thursday
112	Woodrow	Woodrow	1st Monday
122	Azure	Eastend	Thursday on or before
126	Cadillac	Cadillac	3rd Wednesday
128	Meyronne	Meyronne	2nd Monday
138	Kincaid	Kincaid	1st Thursday
177	Verwood	Verwood	2nd Wednesday
188	Glenedyth	Climax	2nd Thursday
194	Vanguard	Vanguard	3rd Monday
199	Admiral	Admiral	1st Wednesday
201	Glentworth	Glentworth	4th Monday

DISTRICT No. 15—D.D.G.M., C. W. ROBERTS, ROSE VALLEY

35	Prince Rupert	Humboldt	3rd Monday
66	Wynyard	Wynyard	2nd Tuesday
79	Foam Lake	Foam Lake	2nd Thursday
84	Lanigan	Lanigan	2nd Thursday
87	Wadena	Wadena	Monday on or before
102	Invermay	Invermay	Tuesday on or before
145	Elfros	Elfros	Wednesday on or before
151	Viscount	Viscount	1st Tuesday
169	Quill Lake	Quill Lake	1st Thursday
179	Kelvington	Kelvington	3rd Tuesday
202	Rose Valley	Rose Valley	1st Thursday

DISTRICT No. 16—D.D.G.M., H. S. WALDIE, YOUNG

46	Strasbourg	Strasbourg	4th Monday
51	Touchwood	Punnichy	2nd Tuesday
64	Manitou	Watrous	1st Thursday
68	Govan	Govan	1st Tuesday
81	Tuscan	Semans	Wednesday on or after
98	Union	Kelliher	3rd Monday
101	Acacia	Imperial	1st Thursday
108	Long Lake	Liberty	2nd Tuesday
121	Simpson	Simpson	Wednesday on or before
133	Philathea	Nokomis	1st Monday
155	Raymore	Raymore	2nd Monday

DISTRICT No. 17—D.D.G.M., J. A. MALLOCH, LUCKY LAKE

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
56	Elbow View	Loreburn	3rd Tuesday
65	Outlook	Outlook	2nd Thursday
113	Broderick	Glenside	Friday on or before
131	Dinston	Dinsmore	1st Wednesday
132	Conquest	Conquest	3rd Wednesday
139	Riverhurst	Riverhurst	3rd Wednesday
143	Hawarden	Hawarden	1st Tuesday
148	Dunblane	Dunblane	1st Tuesday
187	Lucky Lake	Lucky Lake	2nd Monday
191	Macrorie	Macrorie	3rd Monday
192	Sovereign	Sovereign	4th Tuesday

FIFTY-YEAR GOLD BUTTONS

Name of Brother	Year of Presentation	Lodge Membership when Presented	Particulars of Initiation
			Year Jurisdiction
*C. O. Davidson	1939	Kinistino	1889 Manitoba
*R. J. Jones	1946	Kinistino	1896 Manitoba
A. Holmes	1948	Kinistino	1896 Manitoba
A. B. Sproat	1948	Kinistino	1898 Manitoba
F. Wright	1948	Kinistino	1897 Manitoba
*D. S. McCannel	1939	Wascana	1887 Manitoba
W. O. Lott	1940	Wascana	1889 Canada in Ontario
Harry Willsmer	1942	Wascana	1892 England
John J. Galloway	1946	Wascana	1896 Canada in Ontario
W. A. Thomson	1946	Wascana	1896 Manitoba
Charles Gillard	1946	Wascana	1891 England
J. R. Pollock	1946	Wascana	1895 Canada in Ontario
J. Mc. K. Smith	1948	Wascana	1898 Canada in Ontario
*G. M. Annable	1941	Moose Jaw	1883 Canada in Ontario
W. A. Burton	1944	Moose Jaw	1894 Manitoba
J. H. Laird	1946	Moose Jaw	1896 Prince Edward Island
R. Slater	1948	Moose Jaw	1898 Manitoba
*Arthur Atherton	1938	Qu'Appelle Valley	1886 Manitoba
*E. W. Miller	1938	Qu'Appelle Valley	1888 Manitoba
Jas. MacDonald	1949	Qu'Appelle Valley	1899 Scotland
*E. J. Brooks	1938	Indian Head	1881 Quebec
W. B. Tate	1942	Qu'Appelle	1891 Ireland
W. G. Vicars	1942	Qu'Appelle	1892 Manitoba
W. L. Waite	1947	Qu'Appelle	1889 Manitoba
Donald Browne	1948	Qu'Appelle	1898 Manitoba
D. McFarlane	1945	Moosomin	1890 Manitoba
Walter Pennington	1946	Moosomin	1896 Manitoba
*J. T. Johnson	1945	Moosomin	1895 Manitoba
K. A. Price	1949	Moosomin	1899 Manitoba
J. B. Melrose	1943	Maple Leaf	1893 Scotland
*J. T. Peckett	1943	Maple Leaf	1893 Canada in Ontario
F. W. Martin	1941	Maple Leaf	1891 Canada in Ontario
Warren McKinstry	1947	Maple Leaf	1897 Canada in Ontario
R. B. Bennett	1942	Evening Star	1892 Manitoba
W. G. Haultain	1942	N.W.M.P.	1890 Manitoba

Name of Brother	Year of Presentation	Lodge when Presented	Particulars of Initiation	
			Year	Jurisdiction
*Henry Turner.....	1946	Yorkton	1896	England
R. H. Lock	1946	Yorkton	1896	Manitoba
*J. H. Elliott	1941	Amity	1890	Canada in Ontario
*Andrew Rutherford	1938	Saskatchewan	1888	Canada in Ontario
F. B. Goodwillie	1945	Melfort	1895	Canada in Ontario
J. Hatton	1946	Melfort	1896	Manitoba
*J. A. Smith	1942	Estevan	1892	Manitoba
A. B. Stuart	1947	Estevan	1896	Manitoba
*J. T. Hart	1941	Golden Rule	1884	Nebraska
J. M. Martin	1944	Lang	1893	Scotland
*Stewart Mitchell	1938	Bruce	1882	Ireland
*Richard Beale	1940	Ekapo	1888	Manitoba
H. Spearing	1947	Boscurvis	1897	Canada in Ontario
*H. H. Campkin	1940	Assiniboia	1890	Manitoba
*D. E. Spencer	1943	Assiniboia	1883	Michigan
Frank Dymott	1947	Assiniboia	1896	Scotland
*L. H. Reeve	1944	Touchwood	1894	Canada in Ontario
W. T. Fallis	1939	Rocanville	1888	North Dakota
R. B. Taylor	1948	Melville	1898	Manitoba
W. H. Kerr	1946	Corinthian	1896	Canada in Ontario
Henry Garratt	1949	Abernethy	1899	Manitoba
*James Stoddart	1942	Tugaske	1891	Canada in Ontario
John Ivor	1948	Meridian	1898	Ireland
Wm. T. Potts	1944	Wadena	1893	Manitoba
George Rathwell	1944	Rosetown	1894	Canada in Ontario
*D. Lawrence	1944	Rosetown	1894	Manitoba
U. S. Grant	1944	Yellow Grass	1894	Indiana
*Alex. Austin	1945	Acacia	1894	North Dakota
John McChesney	1945	Invermay	1894	Scotland
C. B. Smith	1940	King Hiram	1888	Michigan
A. L. Merrill	1940	King Hiram	1890	Canada in Ontario
Joseph Wood	1946	King Hiram	1896	Manitoba
*Duncan McFarlane	1940	Paragon	1872	Scotland
*Robert Anderson	1939	Ogema	1886	Ireland
*Chas. A. Bush	1940	Ogema	1886	Illinois
George Karr	1947	Simpson	1891	North Dakota
William Barber	1947	Meyronne	1897	Canada in Ontario
A. A. Steele	1948	Dinston	1898	Canada in Ontario
R. A. Miniely	1945	Dunblane	1894	Canada in Ontario
*Arthur Mack	1939	Viscount	1889	Manitoba
F. W. Torney	1944	Memorial	1894	Manitoba
*Arthur E. Staton	1943	Gray	1893	Canada in Ontario
A. R. Thomas	1944	Colfax	1893	South Dakota

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Charles Davidson, Great Falls, Mont.	1943
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Nos. 1 to 62, inclusive—See Constitution.

63. A majority report of an Investigating Committee is sufficient. Pr. 1946.

1949 DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

Dist. No.	Place	Date	Dist. No.	Place	Date
9	Whitewood ..	Tues., June 28th	16	Simpson	Tues., July 12th
2	Regina . . .	Wed., June 29th	5	Saskatoon	Wed., July 13th
3	Moose Jaw .	Thurs., June 30th	15	Lanigan.....	Thurs., July 14th
1	Prince Albert .	Mon., July 4th	10	Yorkton	Fri., July 15th
7	N. Battleford .	Tues., July 5th	11	Cabri.	Mon., July 25th
13	Biggar.	Wed., July 6th	14	Assiniboia.....	Tues., July 26th
12	Kindersley	Thurs., July 7th	8	Estevan.....	Wed., July 27th
17	Lucky Lake .	Mon., July 11th	4	Ft. Qu'Ap'le..	Tues., Aug. 2nd
			6	Weyburn	Wed., Aug. 3rd

The time in effect (whether Standard Time or Fast Time) at the place of meeting, will govern.

The programme for the meetings will be as follows:

Afternoon Session

- 2:00 p.m. Board of Installed Masters (W.M.'s and P.M.'s are eligible to attend and are urged to do so).
 2:30 p.m. Open District Meeting.
 (a) Reception of Grand Officers.
 (b) Reading Minutes; reading report of D.D.G.M. for 1948-49.
 (c) Exemplification of:
 1. E.A. Degree.
 2. Review of 1948 District Meetings exemplification.
 4:00 p.m. (d) District Business.
 5:00 p.m. Adjournment.

Evening Session

- 7:30 p.m. (e) Reopening District Meeting.
 (f) Selection D.D.G.M. (written nominations to be filed with District Secretary by 7:30 p.m.).
 (g) Address: Grand Secretary, "The Benevolent Fund".
 (h) Masonic Quiz: (Questions based on 1948 Proceedings).
 (i) Address: Grand Master—"Are You a Freemason?"
 (j) Grand Lodge Officers retire.
 (k) District Business.
 10:00 p.m. Closing.

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION

Programme 1948 - 49

- September—"The Volume of the Sacred Law."
 October—"The Antiquity of Freemasonry."
 November—"The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan—Proceedings, 1948."
 December—"Milestones in Masonry."
 January—"Tubal Cain."
 February—"A Quiz on 'The History of Freemasonry'."
 March—"Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund."
 April—"Freemasonry—The Champion of Liberty."
 May—"Freemasonry's Attitude to Religion."
 June—"The Ornaments of the Lodge."
 July—"The W.M. and His Principal Officers."

THE VOLUME OF THE SACRED LAW

(A resume of an essay by W. Bro. J. D. Northey in the February issue of the Craftsman)

The Bible is not a Book, but a Library.

On a critical analysis of the different books it is found that there are books within books. For example, in our book of Isaiah there are at least three authors represented whose writings belong to different periods. Isaiah's inspired messages are found in Chapters 1-39. In Chapters 40-55 we have the utterances of an unknown preacher who lived 200 years later. The remaining Chapters 56-66, contain the words of one or more men who lived in the 5th Century, B.C. It should be noted that Isaiah lived in the 8th Century, B.C.

Similarly in the New Testament, the Gospel of Matthew is an enlarged and embellished edition of the Gospel of Mark.

The Bible contains not only codes of law but different types of literature—historical narrative, rhetorical prose, gospels, letters, parables, allegories and the lyric poetry of the Psalms.

The Bible is a Library of Religious Literature.

It is a record of the experiences of men and women who at different periods and in various circumstances have met God and shown forth part of His character and purpose. The authority it holds and the inspiration it gives are those qualities of life which we associate with an expert in a given subject or special area of experience. It is not a horoscope of history but the record and spiritual interpretation of a part of it. It is not a complete collection of oracles to be literally interpreted and mechanically applied, but a selection of inspired writings to be read and interpreted with an historical sense.

"All Scripture inspired by God is profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness."

The Bible Contains the Records of Two Covenants.

The Old Testament is the literary record of Israel's failure to keep its Covenant with God and of His preparation for the making of a new Covenant. Our New Testament is the testimony of the fact of Jesus Christ and the description of the founding of the church at Jerusalem and of its extension throughout the Roman Empire.

The Bible is a Translation out of the Original Tongues.

Except for a few passages, the Old Testament was written in Hebrew and the New Testament in Greek. Those few passages were written in Aramaic which is a dialect of Hebrew. After the exile, though Hebrew was used in the Temple services in popular speech and in writing, it was gradually displaced by Aramaic, the language of Syria and Mesopotamia. At the time of Jesus Hebrew was little understood by the ordinary people of Palestine. The above mentioned dialect was in common use.

The Greek of the New Testament is not classical but Hellenistic, the language of the traveller and the trader, of the common people and of everyday life.

Of all the versions of the Bible the English translation is second to none. It is a literary miracle, a masterly achievement of religious insight, sound scholarship and literary skill. The rhythm of the prophets' periods and the lyric quality of the Psalms have been intelligently felt and accurately expressed.

The Authorized Version of the Bible is a result of Comparative Study.

The first translations into English were by Caedmon (7th Century). He completed only a few parts of the Book. King Alfred (842-900) was an early translator of sections of the Scripture. Wyclif (1320-1384) made the first complete translation from the Vulgate, the Latin version by Jerome 400 A.D. Tyndal (1492-1536) was the first to work from the original languages—Hebrew and Greek. In 1536, Coverdale translated the Bible into English from five former translations—Tyndal's, two Latin and two German.

The Geneva Bible (1560) introduced the subdivision of Chapters into verses. The Bishops' Bible was introduced in 1568 and it was the version officially appointed to be read in the churches. It was displaced in 1611 by the Authorized Version of King James, with which we are all familiar. Since time causes new ideas to cluster around old words, a revised edition was made towards the end of the 19th century. At a later date, Dr. Moffatt produced a modern translation which is often used today by preachers in exposition.

Such, in outline, is the story behind the making and translation of the English Bible—a Book which occupies an important place in our Lodges and should occupy an important place in our contemplation.

THE ANTIQUITY OF FREEMASONRY

By Bro. Stuart F. Arthur

Why this human yearning to establish that a thing is mildewed with the hoary mist of antiquity, whether it be a pewter teapot, a verse of poetry, or Ancient Free & Accepted Freemasonry? A perusal of the Regius and other manuscripts shows that our ancient brethren sought to push the origin of Freemasonry back to the very days of Genesis, and a perusal of our modern literature shows a willing attempt to trace Freemasonry to the Masons whom the Popes called forth to build Europe's cathedrals, thence to the Comacines, thence to the Roman Collegia, thence to the Dionysian Architects and so to the very doors of King Solomon's temple. Excellent! But let us not be overwilling to believe.

There are certain features that are essential to Freemasonry. Let us imagine something very imaginative indeed. Let us imagine that you are a Mason of the year 1000 A.D. and that you are conversing with a Mason of the year 1000 or any other year, B.C. The conversation might run as follows:

Question No. 1: you say: "Our society is a fraternal organization. When need arises we provide our brethren with food and lodging, relieve them in distress; in the event of death we give them a decent and honoured burial; we relieve their orphans and widows. Did you as ancient builders possess any such organization?" When the man of 1000 B.C. replies that the builders of his age did even so, you reply: "Ah! It appears that your society may well have been the antecedent of our own."

Question No. 2: "The Freemasons of England know themselves to be a compact society distinct from the general population because they have certain secret signs or words by which they instantly recognize a fellow member and instantly detect an imposter. It is an essential feature of Freemasonry. Had your ancient masons a similar sys-

tem?" When he answers in the affirmative you reply: "Wonderful! On two points it is clear that the builders of A.D. 1000 and the builders of B.C. 1000 may have been one and the same society."

Question No. 3: "Another point, and this is very important: When the Freemasons of England meet behind closed doors they devote their attention not only to matters of business but also to philosophic, moral and religious speculations of the highest order. Without such speculations Masonry would not be Freemasonry. Had your ancient brethren like speculations?" If your friend answers that the ancient builders at no time indulged in such speculations, you reply: "I am afraid indeed that without such speculations your ancient masonry was not Freemasonry."

Question No. 4: "If in A.D. 1000 a young man wishes to devote his life to the calling of cathedral building, two things are necessary: first, he must find a master builder to whom he will bind himself for seven years to learn the art and second, his name and application must be submitted to the local body of Masons in meeting assembled. Without their acceptance he cannot become a Freemason. And this is the end in view, that only men of proved moral calibre are allowed to enroll as Freemasons, and once enrolled they are expected to increase that moral calibre as the years go on. Had your ancient society this moral requirement and expectation?" If to this your builder replies that the apprentice was enrolled by the State, by the Emperor, by the Army and that his morals played no part either in his coming in or staying in you would reply: "That does not look like our honourable society. Freemasonry without morals would not be Freemasonry."

In a ringing address (See THE STORY OF FREEMASONRY, Regina Masonic Library) delivered in 1856 at the centennial anniversary of St. Andrew's Lodge, Boston, Bro. Charles Whitlock Moore triumphantly traces Freemasonry via the Dionysian Architects to the building of King Solomon's temple. Says Bro. Moore: "The Dionysiacs resembled the mystical fraternity now called Freemasons in many important particulars. They allowed no strangers to interfere in their employment; recognized each other by signs and tokens; they professed certain mysterious doctrines under the tuition and tutelage of Bacchus; and they called all other men profane because not admitted to these mysteries."

Bro. Moore, it needs more than that to establish the stream of Freemasonry.

THE GRAND LODGE OF SASKATCHEWAN—PROCEEDINGS, 1948

By W. Bro. J. E. Campbell

Copies of the Proceedings are now in the hands of all Secretaries. It is expected that every Lodge will comply with the instructions of the Board of General Purposes as printed on the inside of the front cover. The following questions are submitted to encourage a more careful perusal of the Proceedings.

1. (a) What was the activity (or objective) on which the Grand Master laid special emphasis in his year of office?
- (b) What efforts were made and are being made to foster this activity? See page 76.
- (c) What special conferences outside the Jurisdiction did the Grand Master attend during the year? See page 12.

- (d) How many new Lodges were constituted last year?
How many were instituted?
- (e) What two Lodges were amalgamated?
(This was the first amalgamation that has taken place in this Grand Jurisdiction.)
- 2. (a) What was our total membership February 27th, 1948?
(b) How many Chartered Lodges are there?
(c) What was the net gain in membership during the year? See pages 31 and 32.
- 3. The report on the Condition of Masonry is submitted under several headings: organization, records, ritual, District Meetings, libraries, Freemasonry and Youth, Masonic Lodges compared with Service Clubs, arrearage of dues and Proposed Competition.
 - (a) What is the general outline of the proposed plan for scoring Lodge efficiency? See page 68.
 - (b) What are some advantages of this plan?
- 4. (a) What is the approximate amount of capital in the Benevolent Fund?
(b) How much was disbursed from the Benevolent Fund for assistance during the year?
(c) What recommendations did the Board of Trustees of this Fund make to offset the effects of declining interest rates?
- 5. (a) Where was the Conference of the Four Western Jurisdictions held?
(b) Who were our representatives?
(c) What are the objects of this Conference?
(d) What subjects were discussed? See page 79.
- 6. On Page 12 you will find reference made to the Conference of Grand Masters of North America.
 - (a) Where was this Conference held?
 - (b) What were the main purposes of this Conference?
 - (c) What were the six topics discussed?
- 7. The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is found on pages 142 to 195. The summary deals with:
 - (a) Efforts to re-establish the Grand Lodges in the countries of Europe which were under Nazi occupation.
 - (b) Prince Hall (Negro) Freemasonry in Massachusetts.
 - (c) The appointment of the Duke of Devonshire as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England to succeed the Earl of Harewood, deceased.

The Committee has reviewed more than sixty Grand Lodge reports from Sister Jurisdictions—England, Scotland, Mexico, Newfoundland, Australia, the Philippines, the States of the Union, and the Provinces of Canada. These reports are interesting and quite informative. Masonic students would be well repaid by a careful perusal of them.

Space prevents us from dealing completely with the Proceedings. No mention has been made of the District reports. However, it is expected that every Brother will have the opportunity of hearing the report of his own District read and discussed in his Lodge.

MILESTONES IN MASONRY

By R.W. Bro. W. W. Snider

Certain events took place in the development of Speculative Masonry that stand as important milestones in its history and helped

to place the Craft on the solid footing that it occupies today. During the early days when the Craft was entirely operative, the Guild of Freemasons was wont to admit as Theoretic members certain persons of rank and influence, often high church or state dignitaries, who were not workmen but who could be counted on to use their positions to protect the Craft from governmental interference. With the decline of Gothic Architecture came a corresponding decline in the influence of the Operative Guild. Then the fear that many of the expert Master workers would be reduced to the lower level of mere stone layers and the standing of their association suffer in consequence, induced them to admit into their Guild more and more men of rank and position in an effort to bolster their sagging morale.

About the beginning of the 18th century, the Theoretic, or Speculative Masons as we call them today, were in the majority. Inspired by the principle of brotherhood displayed by their operative brethren, these Speculative Masons saw in the Guild the foundation of another association in which the fraternal spirit should remain as a bond of union and the doctrines and symbolisms applied to Architecture should in future be directed to the science of Morality. This change in the character of the lodges, coupled with the lack of congenial companionship between these men of rank and their less cultured brethren who now composed the operative element, finally led to the complete severance of all ties with Operative Masonry.

There were in London at this time four such lodges and in order to cement a closer union these lodges got together in 1717 and formed themselves into a grand lodge which they called "The Grand Lodge of England". They formulated a constitution, approved the general charges and adopted a uniform set of rules for the government of the lodges. At first there were but two degrees, the E.A. and the F.C., but it was not long before the F.C. degree was divided into the F.C. and M.M. degrees. By their constitution the E.A. degree only could be conferred by a subordinate lodge, while the F.C., and later the M.M. degree also, were conferred by Grand Lodge alone or by its special dispensation. However, the growth of Masonry was so rapid that this right was soon given to the subordinate lodges.

There was at this time a very old and strong Lodge at York, which, spurred by the action of their London brethren, formed its own Grand Lodge which it called "The Grand Lodge of All England". It was, however, looked upon more as a "Mother Lodge" and was at no time a real contender against the authority of the original Grand Lodge and as such soon passed out of the picture.

Other elements, however, contrived to cause trouble and to split Freemasonry in England for nearly 100 years. The story of this division and of the final union of the two factions will form the subject of study in a later issue of The Tracing Board.

References—"History of Freemasonry", Mackey and Singleton, Vol. IV and Vol. V, Grand Lodge Proceedings 1935, page 136. "Introduction to Freemasonry", by Carl H. Claudy, pages 112 to 124. Grand Lodge Proceedings 1936, page 131.

For Study: 1. Prepare a five minute talk on what John Theophilus Desagulieres, LL.D., F.R.S., did for Freemasonry in its early years following the formation of Grand Lodge in 1717.

2. Do the same for James Anderson.

3. Prepare a five minute talk on what you think is now of value in the 5th of the Ancient Charges of Freemasonry as it appears on pages 127 and 128 of the Constitution.

TUBAL CAIN

By W. Bro. J. E. Campbell

Every Master Mason has, at one period of his Masonic education, heard something about Tubal Cain, "the eighth son of Adam". Few have ever taken the time and trouble to read further about him in the fourth chapter of Genesis. Usually the name has been confused with the other Cain, who slew his brother. Some have the idea that Cain, the murderer, "was skilled in curious smithwork". It must be remembered that he was a husbandman, not a blacksmith.

The fourth chapter of Genesis describes Tubal Cain as the son of Lamech and the grandson of Methusael. There are also some other interesting facts about him. A footnote terms him "the instructor of every artificer", while in the text (Rev. Vers) he is described as "the forger of every cutting instrument of brass and iron". If, as we have learned, he was the first of such operators, it gives fairly accurately the period of his life.

The Bronze Age preceded the Iron Age. Copper was the chief metal at about B.C. 3000; 500 years later the Greeks were receiving from mines in the Mediterranean area copper mixed with tin, from which they made bronze. About 1500 B.C. they began to learn of the use of iron by the Hittites. The Hittite iron mines extended along the southern shores of the Black Sea to what is now Armenia. The Hittites were white people with features resembling the modern Armenians. They used the double eagle of the Scottish Rite for their coat of arms.

Samothrace, a small island where the Samothracian mysteries of the Cabiri were celebrated, is located in the north end of the Aegean, to the West of the Gallipoli Peninsula. It is only a short distance from that part of Asia Minor where iron was found. It is therefore easy to see where the legends originated about Tubal Cain, and this connection with iron and the Samothracian mysteries with Tubal Cain as one of the Cabiri. The latter had a legend analogous in spirit and design to that of our M.M. degree. It is interesting to see how all this flows out from the story of Tubal Cain, the artificer or forger of tools in brass and iron.

It was by means of the ancient mysteries that people were instructed in the arts and sciences. Thus they were able to build magnificent castles and palaces such as the palace of Assyria in brick cemented with asphaltum.

It was only a short distance from Samothrace to Teos, the headquarters of the Masons and builders who built the Temple of Greece and nearby was the island of Samos "where our ancient Brother, Pythagoras" was born.

The connection between Tubal Cain, the first artificer in metals, who is said to have been connected with the mysteries of Samothrace, and the Masons' headquarters at Teos, is close. The Hittites who first brought iron for use in those parts left remains of a great civilization at Carchemich where a German expedition unearthed many hieroglyphics not yet deciphered. Their kingdom extended close to Teos and included the hinterland clear up to the Black Sea.

There is more in our Masonic mysteries than the modern everyday man dreams. It is buried in the debris of the Temple and we must dig for it.

References: Mackey's Encyclopedia; Craftsman (February, 1948).

A QUIZ ON "THE HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY"**By R.W. Bro. W. W. Snider**

The following quiz has been prepared with the hope that it may stimulate a greater interest in the study of our rich and interesting history.

- I—**
 - 1. How did the word "Free", in connection with Freemasonry, originate?
 - 2. Why are Craft Lodges commonly spoken of as "Blue Lodges"?
 - 3. What were the original duties of the Tyler? Why was this name given to him?
 - 4. What is the original symbolic meaning of the month's interval that must lapse between degrees?
- II—**
 - 1. Why were those who were not Operative Masons first allowed into the Craft?
 - 2. How were they expected to help the Craft?
 - 3. What was the cause of the great influx of non-operative Masons into the Craft in the 17th century?
 - 4. What effect did this have on Operative Masonry?
 - 5. What principles of Operative Masonry were to be preserved and embodied into the workings of the new Speculative Lodges?
 - 6. Accepted Masons—What is meant by this?
- III—**
 - 1. When was the first Grand Lodge formed?
 - 2. How many Lodges were represented at its formation?
 - 3. How many of these Lodges are still operating?
 - 4. What operative practice influenced the rule made concerning the conferring of degrees?
 - 5. Why was this rule abandoned?
- IV—**
 - 1. What power did this Grand Lodge claim that was not practised by the operative assemblies?
 - 2. How was this claim received by Lodges in other parts of the country?
 - 3. What Lodge was the first to question this right? What action did it take?
 - 4. What action did Lodges in other sections of the country take because of this lead?
- V—**
 - 1. How many main groups resulted from this rivalry?
 - 2. What steps did Grand Lodge take to prevent Members of dissenting Lodges from visiting regular Lodges?
 - 3. What charges were levelled at Grand Lodge by the dissenters because of these changes?
 - 4. What name did they give to the new Grand Lodge that they formed?
 - 5. When was this second Grand Lodge formed?
 - 6. What action by the new Grand Lodge made these names inconsistent?
- VI—**
 - 1. What general beneficial effect did this split have on Masonry in general?
 - 2. How does this split influence the work in our Lodges at the present time?
 - 3. How long did this split last?
 - 4. What leading Masonic figure opposed all efforts of reconciliation during his lifetime?

5. Why was this new Grand Lodge often spoken of as the "Athol Grand Lodge"?

VII 1. What finally influenced the Grand Lodges to seek a basis for reconciliation?

2. Who were the Grand Masters at that time?
 3. When was the union effected?
 4. Explain fully the term we use today, "Ancient Free and Accepted Masons".

VIII—1. In early operative days what religion was practised by the Members of the Craft?

2. When did the Craft in England become largely Protestant?
 3. What effect did adopting the term "Great Architect of the Universe" have on Masonry in England? Generally?
 4. Why was recognition of the Grand Orient of France withdrawn by the Grand Lodge of England? When?

References: Tracing Board (March and April, 1945); "History of Freemasonry," MacKay and Singleton (Vols. IV & V); "Introduction to Freemasonry," Carl H. Claudy.

GRAND LODGE BENEVOLENT FUND

1. (a) When does a Mason first hear of his individual responsibility towards his less fortunate Brother?

(b) When again?

(c) How often in our ceremonies is it mentioned?

2. Who are the present Trustees of Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund? Which of them are in office without being elected? (Constitution p. 95, Proceedings 1948 p. 129.)

3. Have the Trustees authority to make payments from the Fund to any person who is not a Mason?

4. What was the total amount of this Fund on March 31, 1948? (Proceedings 1948 p. 29.)

(a) Is this Fund big enough now?

(b) How much did it produce for relief in its last year without reducing its capital? How much of that amount did we spend? Will the Fund likely produce more or less interest in the current year? (Proceedings 1948 p.p. 57 to 63.)

5. From what sources other than interest on investments can the Benevolent Fund be maintained or increased?

6. Can a needy brother apply to the Board of Trustees for assistance?

7. Describe the proper mode of application to the Board of Trustees for a grant. (Constitution pages 95 to 98.)

8. Should the Board of Trustees hesitate to make grants in respect to a number of beneficiaries who are all members of one lodge when many lodges have no member receiving any grant?

9. Why cannot Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund be described as an insurance fund? Would Grand Lodge be wise to make any move toward some kind of contract insurance?

It is suggested that one brother deal briefly with items 1 and 9 and another with items 2 to 8 inclusive and that a third brother deal with approved ruling No. 41 on page 103 of the Constitution and with the discussion of that ruling which appears in the 3rd part of page 143 of the Proceedings of 1947.

FREEMASONRY—THE CHAMPION OF LIBERTY

Discussion Outline by W. Bro. E. W. Van Blaricom

1. First of all read with great care Chapter VI of Haywood's "The Great Teachings of Masonry".
2. "Liberty? You don't get it here. This is not a free country. You can't do as you like. I buy a new car but I can't take it out on the road until I have a license. I can drive it only at certain speeds. If I use it at night it has to be equipped with certain lights and so forth. I like to hunt but I can do so only on certain days of the year and as soon as I get my bag limit it's all over. I can't even curl without being hedged in with this rule or that rule. In Lodge it is no better. I have to rehearse a ritual I can't change. The Lodge has no liberty either. It has to keep one eye on the Grand Lodge Constitution so there will be no false step. And if you go to Grand Lodge you will find no liberty there either. They're up against what they call Landmarks which like the laws of the Medes and Persians change not." True? False?
3. Name one game or sport or association that can be run without rules. Why are such rules changed from time to time? What is the general attitude towards the player who deliberately violates the rules or "cheats" in trying to win? Discuss: "Laws are merely the rules of the game, the game of living together."
4. Is the savage in Central Africa or along the Amazon entirely "free"? Has he "liberty"? Can there be liberty without restraint? Do they go together or are they opposed one to the other?
5. "Every man is an individualist". "Man is a gregarious or social animal." Which is right?
6. "Each individual can find his true happiness only in his right relations to other human beings." Discuss.
7. "Liberty—the right of each man to enjoy unhindered the full exercise of his normal (physical, mental, social, spiritual) functions. True liberty will not lead to conflict among men but rather to unity and harmony." Discuss.
8. "Liberty must be earned; liberty must be learned." Compare the liberty of the man on the man on the street with the liberty of the man in the penitentiary. Discuss the symbolism of the cable tow. "You are now permitted to extend your researches . . ."
9. What are some of the different phases of liberty? Liberty of thought, of religion, to choose one's work, to choose one's friends, to have a voice in one's own government, to live where one desires, etc.
10. Discuss each of the following:
 - (a) Man needs liberty in order to richly live.
 - (b) Masonry exists in order that we may live more happily, more completely, more abundantly.
 - (c) Freemasonry, in one of its aspects, is the preparation for the liberty of the body, of the mind, of the soul.
 - (d) Freemasonry has been the champion of liberty in all its forms and under all its veils.
11. Finally, if time permits, compare the old and fundamental truths of Freemasonry with certain remarks made by Dean Thompson, President Elect of the University of Saskatchewan, before the Royal Society of Canada:

"The diverse members of society will reach their deepest satisfaction only when they are free to use and develop their genetically

diverse gifts to the fullest extent. Only then will that society reach its highest efficiency."

FREEMASONRY'S ATTITUDE TO RELIGION

By R.W. Bro. A. W. Ingram

This topic, in some respects, one of the most vital that can be discussed in the realm of Masonic belief and practice.

First we should attempt to make clear to our own mind what we mean by "religion". By the term "religion" do we mean a particular form of ritual or church government within the Christian Church, or are we thinking of it as distinguishing the Christian religion from the Jewish, Hindoo, or Mohammedan faith? Or do we believe that Masonry is a "religion" and that we have in its teachings and within the Fraternity all the "religion" we need?

There are some Masons who are not very much concerned with religion in the deeper sense, and they are content to feel that, having based their ritual in part on portions of the Old Testament Scriptures, and having had the V.S.L. open in the Lodge Room, they have satisfied the demands of their conscience.

We come back again to ask what we mean by "religion"? It is a word not found on the lips of Christ. He did not speak of religion but of Life—Life abundant and eternal—begun here and now, Life that was the gift of God. "This is Life eternal, that they should know Thee, the only true God and Him whom Thou didst send even Jesus Christ." That Life begins here and now when we know God in Christ. Men, disgusted with the bitterness, divisions and unrealities of much that is termed religion are deeply desirous of and wistful for Life.

Looked at from this standpoint, Masonry can never be regarded as a religion, indeed it has never claimed such for itself. It is a system of morality. True, the devout Christian can find in Masonry's belief in God, in immortality and in Brotherhood that which is not inconsistent with his beliefs; and indeed many a truly religious man has found in Masonry an added opportunity for expressing his belief in both the sacrifice and teachings of Christ. Yet those of other faiths—Jew, Hindoo, or Mohammedan—need not be excluded from Masonry, for it does not profess to be Christian, **though it must never be anti-Christian**, and the Christian may find in its teachings nothing contrary to his own beliefs.

A greater danger that Masonry faces in its attitude to religion is that of indifference and disregard, and the ultimate deception of believing that attendance at Lodge and the retentive memory of ritual gives you a good standing and character in the world and the assurance of life in the world beyond.

Masonry shares with many another Society in its fervent desire that a new world shall come into being, a world that is free from the blight of war and greed and evil living; but experience emphasizes increasingly that this new world will only come into being through new men, and that man can only be made "new" through the redemptive power of God.

The fact that the creed of Masonry can include the Jew as well as the Christian, and the Hindoo as well as the Moslem, must never mean that we say to ourselves, "When I am a Mason I cease to be a Christian, or a Jew or a member of any other religious group," but rather, I am carrying into the Order all that my own deep religious

belief has meant to me, and am thereby ennobling and enriching Masonry's teaching and practice.

At one time the Masonic Lodge was the handmaid of the Roman Catholic Church, from which there was a swing to atheism and irreligious libertinism, until as far as the Grand Lodge of England was concerned, it was to all intents and purposes without religious belief.

Today every candidate must state his belief in a Supreme Being, in the fact of the revelation of His will and the resultant reward or punishment of good or ill; yet since a large number of Masons are members of the Christian Church we can never be content with less than personal faith in and fellowship with the One who stood beside the Galilean Sea and said, "Follow Me".

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THE ORNAMENTS OF THE LODGE

By Bro. Peter Greig

From the explanation given in the lecture of the E.A. Tracing Board, the ornaments of the Lodge consist of the Mosaic Pavement and the Indented or Tessellated Border which surrounds it. The Mosaic Pavement is referred to as the Beautiful Flooring of the Lodge and the Indented or Tessellated Border around it. The Blazing Star or Glory in the centre refers to the sun which enlightens the earth and by its benign influence dispenses blessings to mankind in general. Historically, we have no evidence to indicate that the Mosaic Pavement was inside the Temple of King Solomon. However, some writers seem to think it may have been part of the outer courts of the Temple.

There are various opinions in connection with the Indented or Tessellated Border. Most writers agree that it was represented originally as a cord winding out and in of the skirting. From this source the term "Indented" had its origin. Attached to this cord at the four corners were "Lovers' Knots" to hold the four tassels. From this circumstance the Border was described in earlier Masonry as the "Tessellated Border". Some writers think the word "Tessellated" was introduced by the designers of the Tracing Boards we now use.

The Blazing Star has been described as representing the All Seeing Eye, also the Star of Bethlehem which is often referred to as the Guiding Star. The Masonic Pavement, which is a very old symbol, is said to symbolize the dual character of all that is connected with our material life. In Hindu philosophy it represents what is called the Pairs of Opposites such as good and evil—joy and sorrow—health and sickness—right and wrong—light and darkness. The Tessellated Border is said to represent the Mystic Tie or Bond of Love which binds all Members of the Craft into one great Brotherhood.

Shakespeare wrote, "The web of our life is a mingled yarn of good and evil together." It is our duty in life to find a way through the troubled paths of opposites through the exercise of wisdom and strength to that peace which passeth all understanding. As we walk on this "checkered groundwork" of our existence with all the conflicting and complex tendencies of our lower material nature we can look above to that Guiding Star with resolution to rise superior to our material desires. When we are confronted with the necessity of

making decisions we have the Mystic Tie and its attached tassels of the four cardinal virtues to enable us to attain serenity and mental equilibrium under all circumstances. We can draw aside that veil, or more properly speaking, penetrate through it and derive faith from the Guiding Star, hope when travelling through difficulties and dangers, and charity from the Mystic tie which binds us all.

THE W.M. AND HIS PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

A resume of a lecture by M.W. Bro. Judge Book in the Jan., 1949, Craftsman

By W. Bro. J. E. Campbell

The President of a modern association of men usually has four or six associated with him in its government. But Freemasonry has a fondness for groups of three. Ever since 1717 and for some time previous, in every Masonic Lodge there are three principal officers—a W.M., a Senior Warden and a Junior Warden. The precise time when the government of the Lodge was divided among three officers or when they were introduced into Masonry is unknown. The Lodges of Scotland, during the operative period, were governed by a Deacon and one Warden. It would appear that the Deacon performed the functions of Master. In a Manuscript Constitution, 1670, the offices of Master and Wardens were recognized.

Wardens were officers of the English Guilds in the fourteenth century. In the Charters granted by Edward III in 1354 it is permitted that these companies shall yearly elect for their government "a certain number of Wardens". In the reign of Elizabeth the chief officer began to be called Master, and in the time of James I the guilds generally were governed by a Master and Wardens. It is not therefore improbable that the government of Masonic Lodges by a Master and two Wardens was introduced into the regulations of the Order in the seventeenth century.

A study of the general regulations governing the Craft two hundred and fifty years before the Grand Lodge of England was formed shows clearly that Masonry had never been simply an Order of Architects building churches but a moral and spiritual fellowship even at a time when the refining influences of the Christian religion were unknown. For many years men have been enquiring why Masonry alone of all trades and professions continued to live on after its work was done. The cathedrals had long been finished; the occupation of the Master Mason was gone. Why did Freemasonry not die along with the Guilds or else revert to a Trades-Union? The first sentence of this paragraph suggests the answer.

A perusal of the Masonic Ordinance drawn up in 1462 would almost lead one to believe that the addresses, recommendations and injunctions to the Principal Officers on installation in this present age were handed down from the Old Operative Lodges.

We purpose to continue this review in the September issue. It is hoped that particulars of the duties and responsibilities of the Master and his Wardens as they existed more than 500 years ago may be of some interest; and that the high standard then demanded may be an example and an inspiration to those who in these so-called civilized and enlightened days occupy similar positions in Lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

To the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presents herewith its review of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodges with which the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan is in fraternal relations. The Proceedings of sixty-five Jurisdictions are reviewed, all that were available on April 1st, 1949.

The tide of Membership which appeared at the peak in 1946 seems to have continued in 1947. According to the opinions of Grand Masters however the situation is not so disturbing as it was a year ago when fear was expressed of a repetition of conditions which existed during and after the First World War. Now the weight of opinion is that Lodges generally are awake to their responsibilities, are more careful in the admission of candidates and are endeavouring to give more thorough instruction to new Members.

The gains in many Jurisdictions have been very large and some Grand Lodges report the highest Membership in their history. This has happened in Texas with a gain of 15,786, in California with a gain of 12,165 and also in several other Jurisdictions. The Grand Lodge of New York reports a gain of 10,705, Iowa 3,341, Ohio 11,997, Georgia 6,528, Oregon 2,254, Arizona 469, Arkansas 3,695, Colorado 2,167, Illinois 9,225, Delaware 351, Indiana 9,547, Kentucky 5,673, Louisiana 3,472, New Jersey 4,472, Nebraska 1,794. These are examples of what has been taking place in all the Jurisdictions in the United States where the total Membership is now almost at the peak of what it was prior to the depression which began in 1929. According to figures compiled by Masonic authorities the Membership in the United States is now 3,284,068, an increase of 181,993 for the year 1947. In 1943 the Membership in the United States was estimated at 2,477,351. It therefore appears that there has been a gain of about 800,000 in the past five years and if increases continue the Membership will soon exceed what it was at the peak before the depression when it was estimated to be in excess of 3,300,000. In Canada a similar condition exists as all Grand Lodges reported gains for 1947. The present Membership is estimated at 203,259 a gain of 8,953 for 1947.

The question of Negro Freemasonry continues to receive attention in some of the Jurisdictions in the United States due largely to the action of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in declaring Prince Hall Masonry regular in origin and also due to an address delivered by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oregon at the Conference of Grand Masters in Washington. It should be pointed out that while the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts declared Prince Hall Masonry regular in origin it did not advise recognition or inter-visitation. The report of the Committee on the subject which was adopted by the Grand Lodge concluded as follows:

"In conclusion your Committee believes that in view of the existing social conditions in our country, it is advisable for the official and organized activities of white and coloured Masons to proceed in parallel lines, but organically separate and without mutually embarrassing demands or commitments."

The Grand Lodge of Florida by edict of the Grand Master recently withdrew from all fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts on the ground that they had accepted and recognized

Prince Hall Grand Lodge as being legitimate and regularly constituted. The Grand Master of California at the Annual Communication in October, 1948, condemned the action of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts because, after exercising exclusive Jurisdiction for 160 years and after exclusive territorial Jurisdiction had become firmly established as Masonic Law and custom in all Jurisdictions in the United States, it had suddenly renounced the principle and shared its Jurisdiction in violation of that historic position. At the 1947 Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee the Grand Master after stating that some Jurisdictions were greatly disturbed over the problem of Negro Freemasonry said that no such problem existed in Tennessee because the Constitution stated that all associations of Negroes organized in Tennessee and claiming to be Free and Accepted Masons are spurious, illegal and clandestine.

In the review of correspondence published by the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia the Grand Master takes a serious view of the subject and refers to it as "a cloud on the horizon, small at present but one which requires to be closely watched". He also stated that the action of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts "is the beginning of a most dangerous problem".

In the Grand Lodge of Texas the Grand Master in 1947 after referring to the action of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts stated "this virtual recognition of the Negro Masons I regret to say puts a terrific strain on the heretofore friendly relations existing between our respective Grand Lodges".

In other Grand Lodges however the subject is not taken so seriously. The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri thinks that his Grand Lodge will soon have to face the problem of a closer understanding with Negro Freemasonry. The Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Virginia states that Negro Freemasonry has been well established in most of the States and that the Lodges appear to be prospering. The Committee expresses the opinion that the action involved is not Masonic legitimacy but is purely social and will continue to exist for many years. The question is asked why not let the Negro have his Masonry? The Grand Master of North Carolina expressed similar opinions. The Correspondence Committee of the Grand Lodge of Illinois do not appear to view the question with alarm for they point to the fact that for 170 years the Negro Lodges and the Grand Lodges have pursued parallel lines and that Prince Hall Lodge has never been recognized nor has inter-visitation been allowed. The Committee asks the question what will the doctrine of Brotherhood and the proof of legitimacy mean in the future? The report of the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Maine in 1947 contains an excellent review of the subject. It is pointed out that African Lodge chartered by the Grand Lodge of England in 1784 was never anything but a subordinate Lodge and its action in issuing Charters to other Negro Lodges was contrary to Masonic Law and usurpation of power inherent in Grand Lodge alone. It is also pointed out that African Lodge became dormant and so remained for many years and when it was revived in 1827 the doctrine of exclusive territorial Jurisdiction was firmly established. The Committee therefore does not agree with the action of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and states that it deplors the revival of the discussion and that any attempt to recognize Prince Hall will lead to confusion and will result in discord.

It is of interest to note that Alpha Lodge 116, Newark, New Jersey, is the only Lodge of coloured Masons in the United States

working under what is regarded as a regular Masonic Jurisdiction. It was established in New Jersey in 1871 and last year had a Membership of 91.

According to the 1947 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia there was a recent experience in that Jurisdiction with Prince Hall Masonry. In August, 1946, the Grand Master of Prince Hall Grand Lodge in the State of New York visited Halifax and instituted a Lodge there. The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia at once issued an Edict prohibiting Prince Hall Masons from visiting Nova Scotia Lodges and forbidding Nova Scotia Masons from visiting any Prince Hall Lodge. The opinion prevailed that the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia had been invaded but there was no desire to prevent Negroes from becoming Masons; in Nova Scotia for sixty years there was a regularly constituted Lodge, Union Lodge 18, Halifax, composed of coloured Brethren and a number of coloured Brethren have belonged to several of the Lodges since the Grand Lodge was formed in 1866. There are only two surviving Members of Lodge 18 and a number of white Brethren signed a petition with the Grand Secretary asking for a Dispensation to form a Lodge intending to restrict the Membership to coloured men. About this time the Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons of New York again arrived in Halifax and proposed to the Grand Master of Nova Scotia that he would withdraw his Dispensation provided the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia would "take over his Lodge and all its Members". He was informed that this could not be done. No further consultations are reported to have taken place and so far as appears the Lodge is still in existence.

In Europe today the situation with respect to Masonry does not appear to have improved. It exists in Holland, Switzerland and the Scandinavian countries and recently has become active in Finland. In Belgium the Grand Orient is divided on the question of having the Volume of the Sacred Law on the Altar and some Lodges do not require a belief in the Great Architect of the Universe; it is said that the majority of the Lodges require compliance with the Ancient charges but no steps are taken to discipline the non-conforming Lodges; accordingly the Grand Orient is not recognized by the regular bodies. In Austria the Grand Lodge of Vienna has been revived with three Lodges and a very small Membership and the future is uncertain. In Czechoslovakia the National Grand Lodge continued during the war by organizing a Lodge in exile in London and until the recent change in government there was hope of revival but now there is great uncertainty. The Grand Lodge of France was suppressed during the German occupation and lost everything in Paris and generally in the country but is reported active. There is also the Grand Orient of France which is not recognized by the regular bodies. In Germany before the war there appear to have been nine Grand Lodges all having concurrent Jurisdiction. The Grand Lodge of Hamburg was the oldest. Masonry was suppressed in Germany in 1932. Several Lodges have recently been formed in the American and British zones. In Greece there is little that Masons can do with rebellion in the country and Communists from other countries waging Guerilla warfare. At Salonika several Lodges have revived and an Orphanage is supported. The Temple at Athens was for long occupied by refugees who are now reported to have found other places in which to reside. In Hungary Masonic buildings without exception were damaged during the war. The Masonic Temple in Budapest has been returned to the Masons and repaired from contributions made by Brethren in the United States. The

decree of the government in 1920 dissolving Masonic societies and confiscating their property was abrogated by the government in 1945 and the Grand Lodge was revived in 1946 with 400 Members. Due to the recent events in the country it is very doubtful if any progress will be made.

In Italy Masonry was suppressed by Mussolini. After the war it began to revive in groups in various parts of the country. The Condition appears to be chaotic and the ban established years ago has not yet been removed. The Grand Orient appears to be the strongest and most regular organization and has recently been recognized by a number of Grand Lodges in United States no doubt as a result of the report of the commission sent to Europe by the Masonic Service Association to investigate conditions. In Spain there are two organizations, the Grand Lodge of Spain and the Grand Orient of Spain both in exile in Mexico. The Grand Lodge of Spain hoped to return to the homeland but has not yet been able to do so. Present conditions prevent Masonic activity in that country. As to Yugoslavia there is no definite information whether the Grand Lodge exists or not. The Masonic Temple in Belgrade was plundered and almost wrecked. In 1945 the few Brethren in Belgrade discussed the matter of resuming activities but nothing definite has occurred. It is well to remember that governments in Eastern Europe do not approve of Masonry and until some change takes place in their attitude there is little hope of recovery.

In considering the situation in South America, Central America and Mexico there is always the difficulty of language for all the Grand Lodges work in Spanish. In Brazil there are twelve Grand Lodges of Symbolic Masonry scattered over the various states of that vast country. All of them are recognized by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky and several have received fairly wide recognition. There is also the Grand Orient in Brazil which is considered irregular. The Grand Lodge of Argentina is recognized by a number of Grand Lodges including the United Grand Lodge of England. There are 65 Lodges and the Masonic Orphanage and free public library are supported. The United Grand Lodge of England has a District Grand Lodge in Argentina established pursuant to some understanding with the Grand Lodge of Argentina. In Columbia there are five Grand Lodges, the three oldest namely the National Grand Lodge of Columbia at Cartegena, the National Grand Lodge at Barranquilla and the National Grand Lodge at Bogota have received wide recognition. The two recently formed namely the Grand Lodge of Western Columbia and the Grand Lodge of Eastern Columbia at Cucuta are in friendly relations with the three older Grand Lodges and no question of Jurisdiction appears to have arisen.

The Grand Lodge of Bolivia has a small Membership which seems natural in a sparsely settled country. It has been recognized by several Jurisdictions in the United States and there is a Masonic Temple at LaPaz. The Grand Lodge of Uruguay and the Grand Lodge of Chile have been fairly widely recognized.

In Central America there are Grand Lodges in Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Panama and Costa Rico. These Grand Lodges are small and while conditions in some of these countries are unsettled Masonry appears to enjoy full liberty.

In Mexico there are Grand Lodges in the various states, including the York Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of South California which is a Member of the Confederation of Grand Lodges in Mexico. There are fourteen Grand Lodges in all. Several of the Mexican Grand Lodges have received wide recognition especially from South-

ern Jurisdictions in the United States. The York Grand Lodge which consists of eleven Lodges and a Membership of 600 has English speaking residents as Members. It has established friendly relations with the other Grand Lodges in Mexico and harmony now prevails. It has been widely recognized but has suffered much in recent years through the removal of its Membership.

As to the recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges in Central and South America it has already been stated that the difficulty of language arises. This of course is also true with respect to many Grand Lodges in Europe. In both Europe and South America however conditions are unsettled and there is a general opinion among the authorities that recognition should not be extended in any case until it is known that the government in control does not bar Masonry and also until it is certain that the Grand Lodge in question complies with the requirements for recognition. However one cannot help but have sympathy with Brethren in some of the countries in Europe who are trying to re-establish the Institution. In such cases recognition if at all warranted would be of great assistance and encouragement.

ALABAMA

127th Annual Communication at the City of Montgomery, November 18th and 19th, 1947. Grand Master Clarence E. Michaels. Lodges 413. Members 54,537. Gain 4,306. All the Officers were in attendance and 5 Past Grand Masters were present. The Representatives of 43 Sister Jurisdictions attended. They were welcomed by the Grand Master who asked them to extend the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Alabama to their respective Jurisdictions.

In his address, the Grand Master said that the period was confusing and troublesome; that little success had been attained by the Nations in arriving at a permanent peace; there is need for the practice of the Golden Rule with a sincere reliance upon God; the answer is found in the Book of books, upon which the philosophy of the Fraternity is based.

The Grand Master reported many visitations and stated that he had tried to visit the smaller country Lodges because they had not the opportunities enjoyed by the larger Lodges. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and said it afforded an opportunity for the Grand Masters of the United States and Canada, to meet and discuss their various problems. He made reference to the Masonic Home as a project on which all agreed. It was opened in 1913 and has rendered a fine service for 34 years. The buildings are deteriorating and the Grand Master is of the opinion that within a few years it will be necessary to erect a new home. The Grand Master recommended that a new Home should be studied by a Committee and report made at the next meeting.

The Grand Master reported that generally the Fraternity was in good condition. He said, however, that too much information as to what goes on in Lodge Meetings, was getting out to the general public. He was also critical of personal differences being carried into Lodge halls.

On the afternoon before the opening of Grand Lodge, the Brethren visited the Masonic Home, inspected the buildings, inspected the various activities and were entertained by the Superintendent and residents.

The Grand Secretary, Bro. Guy P. Smith, died in Montgomery, on July 29th, 1947. He had been Grand Secretary since 1931, and before that date, served in the office as a clerk, from 1908. The Grand Master paid tribute to his work, stating that he was a most efficient Officer.

On June 11th, 1947, M.W. Bro. J. M. Spearman, Past Grand Master, passed away. He had served for many years in various capacities. The Proceedings contained a Memoriam to this distinguished Brother.

ALBERTA

43rd Annual Communication at Edmonton, June 9th, 1948. Grand Master A. D. Cumming. Lodges 152. Members 13,728. Gain 671. All the Officers attended and sixteen Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of fifty-six Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance, Saskatchewan being represented by M.W. Brother W. J. Botterill. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and North Dakota.

After the opening ceremony the Grand Master called on each of the D.D.G.M.'s to report on the activities for the year in their respective Districts. The reports all indicated that Masonry in Alberta is in a healthy condition. This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of two Past Grand Masters during the year, M.W. Brother S. J. Blair and the immediate Past Grand Master M.W. Brother A. G. Bond. In his address the Grand Master paid tribute to these distinguished Brothers stating that Grand Lodge had lost two stalwart and honoured Members.

As to the condition of Masonry the Grand Master said that most Lodges were in a sound financial condition but that some had over-spent in the building of new temples and that in order to pay their debts were not as careful as they should be in the selection of candidates. As to the Membership the Grand Master stated that the increase was not as large as last year and that suspensions were about the same. As to suspensions he said that all Lodges were reluctant to suspend for non-payment of dues and he expressed the opinion that many suspensions would not be necessary if Initiates were properly instructed. A new Lodge was constituted at Yellowknife.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of the Western Grand Lodges at Banff and reported a successful meeting. Excellent addresses were given on various phases of Masonic work and several Grand Lodges in the Western United States were represented. The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan, Manitoba, North Dakota and Montana.

In his visits to many of the Lodges the Grand Master was disappointed in the matter of attendance, stating that the average was not much over 30 per cent. He is of the opinion that less than one-third of the Members attend Lodge meetings and he thinks that some do not attend because they have not been properly instructed and others because they have been given nothing to do. He made the suggestion that some of the larger Lodges should divide and sponsor a daughter Lodge and thus furnish an opportunity for more Members to become active.

The reviews of the various Jurisdictions are prepared under the chairmanship of M.W. Brother William Ireland. In a foreword Brother Ireland expresses his thanks to those who have assisted. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are reviewed by M.W. Brother Harris who was initiated in Wascana Lodge No. 2 in the city of Regina then known as No. 23 on the register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. There is a reference to the fact that a considerable number of the Saskatchewan Lodges were not represented at the Annual Meeting and the work of the Committee on Education is commented upon.

ARIZONA

66th Annual Communication at Tucson, April 7th and 8th, 1948. Grand Master W. M. Cox. Lodges 39. Members 7,792. A Special Communication was held at Phoenix on February 14th, 1948, for the purpose of conducting a funeral service for M.W. Brother O. J. Baughn, the Grand Treasurer and a Past Grand Master. The proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished Brother.

All the Officers attended the annual meeting and 14 past Grand Masters were present. All the Lodges except one were represented and the representatives of 47 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance. A reception was accorded to the Past Grand Masters and also to the representatives of Sister Jurisdictions. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Colorado, Nevada and California.

The Grand Master reported that the Lodges were active and he complimented the various officers on their interest and the work accomplished. He visited all the Lodges in the State. He also visited the Grand Lodge of Colorado and also the Grand Lodge Del Pacifico, Mexico. At their annual meeting all reported having been well received. He referred in complimentary terms to Masonic activity in Mexico.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and also the annual meetings of the George Washington National Memorial Association and the Masonic Service Association. He stated that Membership in the Masonic Service Association was a fine investment.

The committee on foreign correspondence recommended that printing of reviews of Sister Jurisdictions in the proceedings be discontinued. There appears to be no record in the published proceedings showing what action was taken on this recommendation but there is appended at the end a statement by the chairman of the committee that Grand Lodge did not adopt the recommendation but that there had not been time between the meeting and the printing of the proceedings to prepare reviews.

CALIFORNIA

99th Annual Communication at San Francisco, October 11th to 15th, 1948. Grand Master C. H. Warlow. Lodges 596. Members 183,198. Gain 9,281. All the officers attended and 554 Lodges were represented. After the opening ceremony the flag of United States was presented.

The Grand Master reported that he had travelled continuously throughout the State for 130 days and had been able to visit one-third of the Lodges. He stated that Masonry had prospered and occupied a place of high esteem among all the peoples of the State. He visited the Grand Lodge of Guatemala and spoke of the hospitality accorded him. He also visited the Lodges situated in the Hawaiian Islands. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and also the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He stated that the Conference was most satisfactory because of the contacts made with Grand Lodge officers both of the United States and Canada.

During the year the Grand Master was requested by several Brethren to allow collections of money and clothing to be made through the Lodges to be sent overseas and to be distributed by some particular Jurisdiction. He stated that he had been reluctant to grant such requests because the Membership traced its ancestry to every country in Europe and if assistance were given to one country the same should be given to every country where Masonry and war suffering still exist.

The Grand Master dealt at length with the subject of Negro Freemasonry stating that it was clandestine and that the real issue was duplicate territorial jurisdiction which is contrary to Masonic law and custom. He claimed that the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts by its action in 1947 had invaded the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of California.

The Grand Secretary in his report stated that a sum of \$25.00 must be collected from every candidate for the Masonic Home Fund and \$1.00 for the George Washington National Memorial in addition to any other fees required. In reporting on the Membership he said that in the last twenty years while the Lodges had increased in number by only 6% the gain in Membership had been 30%. He also said that there is a striking parallel between what is happening today in Membership and what happened following the first world war.

In an address delivered by the Grand Orator conditions in Europe were dealt with and the statement made that Communism and its leaders all over the world are today following the same practices as the Nazis and Fascists dictators. Nowhere behind the Iron Curtain is Masonry or any of its great tenets tolerated.

On July 31st, 1948, there were in the Masonic Home at Decoto, 301 residents and in the Home at Covina for Boys and Girls, 64 residents. The cost of maintenance at Decoto was \$258,000 and at Covina \$133,000. The average cost per resident per month at Decoto was \$71.92 and at Covina \$162.83. There is a Maintenance Fund exceeding \$3,000,000.

The report on the recognition of foreign Grand Lodges is contained in the report of the Committee on Policy and General Purposes. In the report it is stated that the Committee is guided by the requirements set out in a resolution of Grand Lodge passed in 1913. These requirements are similar to the declaration of principles adopted by the United Grand Lodge of England and by a number of Grand Lodges in United States and Canada. The Committee recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge Unida Mexicana, the Grand Lodge of Francisco de Paula Santander (Columbia), the Grand Lodges of Seara and Rio Grande do Sul in Brazil and the Grand Lodge of Finland.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was presented by Brother James K. Fiske. The introductory remarks to the report are published but the reviews are not. The Committee on Finance paid tribute to the reviews stating that they dealt with outstanding events in Masonry both domestic and foreign and were "enlightening and educational".

This Grand Lodge supports Masonic Club Houses at the University of Los Angeles and Berkeley. The sum of approximately \$50,000 was appropriated for the purpose. At seven points in the State Masonic employment offices are maintained.

CANADA IN ONTARIO

93rd Annual Communication at Toronto, July 21st, 1948. Grand Master T. H. Simpson. Lodges 572. Members 109,008. Gain 4,608. All the officers attended and six Past Grand Masters were present. The roll of representatives of Sister Jurisdictions was called and thirty-nine responded. They were extended a welcome by the Grand Master. Visitors were present from eighteen Grand Lodges including Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing during the year of M.W. Brother Walter S. Herrington, Grand Master in 1931-32 and M.W. Brother T. C. Wardley, Grand Master in 1943-44. The proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished Brothers. The Grand Master in his address made extended reference to the services rendered by both of them. He also paid tribute to the work and character of Douglas G. McIlwraith the Sovereign Grand Commander of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite who died in the city of Hamilton February 2nd, 1948.

The Grand Master referred to the large increase in Membership of over 4,600. He expressed the opinion that one of the causes of the increase was the fact that Masonry had stood the test of time and was recognized as one of the basic Institutions of civilization. He sounded a warning however and advised all to "Guard well the portals". He cited an instance of one Lodge which had granted initiation to one who had lived in Canada for only six months.

At the last meeting it was decided to send a monthly minimum of 500 parcels of food to Brethren overseas in accordance with lists furnished by the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland. An appeal was made to the Lodges for funds and over \$120,000 was received. As a result the number of parcels was increased to 900 and later to 1,200 per month.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts and Illinois. He also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and was present at "International Night" held by one of the Lodges in the city of Buffalo. The Grand Lodge was represented by the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Secretary at the Conference of Grand Lodges of Western Canada at Banff.

A special contribution of \$2,000 was made to the Canadian Red Cross and the sum of \$5,000 was sent to the Grand Lodge of British Columbia for Flood Relief.

In speaking of Lodge finances the Grand Master expressed the opinion that the minimum initiation fee should be increased to \$35.00 and that the minimum annual due should be \$5.00. Two Lodges were constituted during the year. The Committee on Benevolence reported grants exceeding \$77,000 for the year. They asked

for an appropriation of \$80,000 for the year 1948-49. In addition to the amount spent by the committee it is estimated that \$75,000 was expended by the Lodges for Benevolence.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother Frank A. Copus. In commenting on the large increases in Membership the reviewer states there is real concern from the fear lest the bars have been too generally lowered and quality sacrificed to quantity. The installation of the Duke of Devonshire as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England is referred to and the intimate connection of the Royal Family of England with the Craft is mentioned. Comment is made on the recognition of foreign Jurisdictions and the diversity of action in the United States where in some cases recognition has been granted "in quite surprising directions". The policy of "wait and see", is favoured in Great Britain and Canada. The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan for 1947 are very fully and kindly reviewed.

COLORADO

88th Annual Communication at Denver, September 21st, 1948. Acting Grand Master S. S. Krebs. Lodges 148. Members 37,948. Gain 1,578. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. John R. Swinton died on September 10th, 1948 a few days before the annual meeting and the Deputy Grand Master presided. After the opening ceremony the national flag was presented. The Acting Grand Master at once referred to the great loss sustained in the death of the Grand Master and he asked the Brethren to rise and bow their heads in tribute to the memory of a great man and a great Mason. 17 Past Grand Masters were present and 135 Lodges were represented. A reception was accorded to the Past Grand Masters. The Acting Grand Master welcomed them and stated that no communication could be conducted without their presence and the assistance they could render. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Nebraska, Wyoming and New Mexico. The Representatives of 66 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance but the Representative of Saskatchewan was not among them. They were welcomed by the Acting Grand Master who stated that the ceremony indicated the universality of Masonry.

A Special Communication was held on September 13th in Trinidad for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Brother J. R. Swinton, the Grand Master. There were also four special communications during the year, one to install a Grand Lodge Officer, one to lay the cornerstone of a new Masonic Temple, one to lay the cornerstone of a school and one to conduct the funeral service of a Past Master of Occidental Lodge.

At the request of the Acting Grand Master, M.W. Brother Kenneth O. Wood, Past Grand Master, delivered an address, a portion of which had been prepared by the deceased Grand Master. In the address prepared by him the deceased Grand Master reported a visit to the Grand Lodge of New Mexico and his attendance at the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington and the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He referred to the memorial as a great undertaking the grandeur of which could not "be told in words." Reference is also made to the subjects discussed at the Conference, among them Freemasonry and Communism, the Obligation of Freemasonry to Youth and Freemasonry in Italy.

During the year the Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and stated that it was impossible to visit all of them.

An address given by the Grand Master to the Denver Officers' Association appears in the Proceedings in full. In the address he referred to the need of care in the introduction of new Members and also to the need of increased attendance which he thought was very low.

The Trustees of the Benevolent Fund reported the book value of all assets as \$1,073,000. The number of persons receiving relief from the Fund had dropped to 23, the lowest for many years. In the General Fund there was a surplus of the year's operations.

The Committee on the George Washington Memorial reported payment of \$1,575 to the Association and also reported receipts for the year of \$1,435 which sum they recommended should be forwarded to the Association.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodges of Rio Grande do Sul, Ceara, Minas Gerais, all in Brazil, the National Grand Lodge of Colombia at Cartagena, the Grand Lodge of Uruguay, the Grand Lodge of Finland, the Grand Orient of Italy and the Grand Lodge of Greece. The Committee stated that all these Grand Lodges complied with the requirements for recognition.

DELAWARE

The 142nd Annual Communication was held at Wilmington, October 1st, 1947. Grand Master B. W. Allmond. Lodges 22. Members 6,147. Gain 351. All the Officers attended and 16 Past Grand Masters were present. The Representatives of 56 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to convey the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Delaware to their respective Jurisdictions. After the formal opening, the National flag was presented, and the Brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Virginia, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Rhode Island and the District of Columbia. All Lodges but one were represented.

The Grand Master visited all the Lodges. He reported a kindly reception at all meetings and stated that his official visits were well attended. He was critical of Lodge attendance, stating that regular meetings were poorly attended. He emphasized the need of efforts on the part of the Officers to promote attendance and also the importance of Officers becoming familiar, not only with the ritual, but also with Masonic Jurisprudence.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodge of Maryland, the District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey and Rhode Island. He also attended the Conference of Grand Masters and reported 48 Jurisdictions in the United States and 7 in Canada, represented. He found the subjects discussed interesting and instructive.

The finances are in sound position, there being a balance in the General Fund as a result of the year's operation. The Masonic Home Board reported a small deficit for the year, due to increased costs. The average annual expense, per resident, was \$1,037.

The review of correspondence is by Brother Frank S. Craig. The Proceedings of 54 Jurisdictions are reviewed, among them, those of

the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan for 1946. Reference is made to the attitude of the Grand Master in dealing with resolutions of Lodges, concerning political matters. The writer regrets the omission of Delaware in the review of last year and it can be explained only by saying that the Proceedings were not available at the time the reviews were completed.

DELAWARE — 1948

143rd Annual Communication at Wilmington, October 6th, 1948. Grand Master Paul Yearsley. Lodges 22. Members 6,463. Gain 317. A Special Communication was held at Seaford on May 5th, 1948, for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of a new school building.

All the Officers attended the annual meeting and seventeen Past Grand Masters were present. The Representatives of fifty-five Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance but Saskatchewan was not among them. All Lodges but two were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Virginia, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Connecticut and the District of Columbia. The Past Grand Masters and Grand Representatives were introduced and welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master stated that he had not tried to launch any elaborate program and that his main desire was to keep the standard of Masonry in Delaware on the high level it had enjoyed. He visited all the Lodges except one and thinks that the practice of requiring the Grand Master to visit the Lodges affords a privilege not enjoyed in many Jurisdictions.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and referred to the problems discussed as common to all Jurisdictions. As to the Masonic Service Association he stated that he was proud of the fact that the Grand Lodge of Delaware is a Charter Member of the Association which has served the Craft with such distinction for so many years.

In commenting upon the Membership the Grand Master said it was 309 higher than in 1930 which was the previous high point. He thinks the increase is due in part to economic conditions and that plans should be made to hold the Membership when harder times arrive; one way to accomplish this is to prevent Lodges from becoming too large as the larger Lodges lost more heavily during the last depression. The last Lodge constituted was in 1902 when there were only 2,500 Members.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Hungary and the Grand Lodges of Sao Paulo, Rio Grande do Sul, Ceara and Minas Gerais all in Brazil. Last year the Committee recommended requesting recognition from the Grand Lodges of Norway and Sweden but reported that nothing definite had been accomplished.

The Masonic Home had a revenue of \$33,557 and expended \$31,871 having a surplus for the year of \$1,200 as compared with a deficit of \$1,300 for the preceding year. There was an average of thirty-two guests in the Home the yearly cost per guest being \$1,010.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother W. Stewart Allmond. Seventy Jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1947. The reviews present a splendid picture of important

events in all Jurisdictions. In the review of the Saskatchewan Proceedings reference is made to the flag ceremony, the activities of the Grand Master in visiting the Lodges and several Sister Grand Lodges. Reference is also made to the finances.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

137th Annual Communication at Washington, December 17th, 1947. Grand Master Marvin Farrington. Lodges 48. Members 23,411. Gain 936.

A Stated Communication was held on May 14th, 1947. The Past Grand Masters present were formally welcomed by the Grand Master. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and those in attendance were welcomed and asked to convey messages of greeting to the Jurisdictions respectively represented.

The Grand Master reported the issuing of a Dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge. He also reported contributions to the fund set up by the Masonic Service Association, the object of which is to supply food and clothing for distressed Masons in Europe. A report was also given of the sale of Temple Heights. This property was sold in December, 1945. The proceeds have been invested in bonds and there is a balance of \$600,000.00. The Grand Master appointed a Committee to examine all the records and pledges made for the purchase of the property and to determine those entitled to the money. Reference was made to the Masonic Home and to the need for more accommodation in the hospital. The estimated cost exceeds \$250,000.00. The Grand Master questioned the immediate need of the expenditure and uttered a word of caution to the Board of Directors. There were 85 residents in the home, and the total cost of maintenance exceeded \$95,000.00.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge Oriental de Columbia, at Cucuta, stating that the Lodges comprising it were chartered by the Grand Lodge of Colombia, Barranquilla, and that it conformed to the standards of recognition.

A special Communication was held on June 26th, 1947, for the purpose of Constituting Fort Dupont Lodge No. 52. There was also a special Communication on September 29th, 1947, for the purpose of receiving the report of the special Committee on the disposition of the funds received from the sale of the Temple Heights property. The Committee found that the subscribers had no claim and advised that the monies be administered as any other asset for the most urgent needs of Grand Lodge, and for the general advancement of the Fraternity in the District of Columbia.

All the Officers attended the Annual Communication and 12 Past Grand Masters were present. The Grand Secretary reported that the Membership was the highest in the history of the Grand Lodge, and that all Lodges had reported satisfactorily at the end of the year.

A special Committee reported attendance at the Annual Meeting of the Masonic Service Association and stated that hospital work had been carried on in 89 Government Hospitals for the care of sick and wounded veterans. They reported that the Grand Lodge of New York and the Grand Lodge of Indiana, became Members of the

Association, during the year. The Association has raised almost the sum of \$150,000.00 for relief in the devastated countries of Europe.

The Grand Master reported on the Conference of Grand Masters, stating that all of the Jurisdictions in the United States were represented and 7 of the 9 Canadian Jurisdictions. The sum of \$1,420 was contributed to the George Washington National Memorial, being the amount of one dollar for each new Member. Reference was made by the Grand Master to the large Membership, and he expressed the opinion that an excessively large Membership, in any Lodge, is not conducive to its welfare. It was for this reason that he encouraged a group of Masons to organize the new Fort Dupont Lodge.

The review of correspondence is by J. Walter Karsner. In a foreword, reference is made to the increase in Membership, to the financial position of Grand Lodge generally and to activities to help returned Veterans. As to Negro Freemasonry, it is referred to as a "cloud on the horizon, small at present but one which needs to be closely watched". The report adopted by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in 1946, and the address of the Grand Master of Oregon at the Conference of Grand Masters, in 1946, are recommended for consideration and are stated to be the beginning of a "most dangerous problem".

The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very fully reviewed. There are references to the display of the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes, to the finances, to the conference of the 4 Western Canada Jurisdictions, and to the Committee on Masonic Education.

ENGLAND

The special session of the United Grand Lodge of England was held on March 23rd, 1948, for the Installation of the Grand Master, the Duke of Devonshire. Deputations were present from the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland, and also from the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Michigan and Sweden. His Majesty the King was escorted into Grand Lodge and was welcomed by the Deputy Grand Master who stated that the Brethren of the English Constitution, throughout the World, are conscious of the great honour done to them by the presence of His Majesty. He then requested His Majesty to preside over the Installation Ceremony.

The Grand Master Elect then entered and was addressed by His Majesty who referred to the untimely death of his Brother, the Duke of Kent, who was installed by him in 1939. He also said that when the Earl of Harewood was installed in 1942, they had hoped that he would occupy the Office for a long period; his death had been a shock; he had carried out his duties with insight and understanding and had endeared himself to all the Members. In referring to the Duke of Devonshire, he said that the reception accorded him was an indication of the wholehearted support he had received from the Craft.

His Majesty then conducted the Ceremony of Installation which was followed by addresses by Representatives of the Grand Lodges of Ireland, Scotland and Massachusetts. His Majesty the King also delivered an address in which he referred to the responsibilities of the Office and said that for over a century a Duke of Devonshire had been closely associated with the Craft. He also said that for some years, the world has passed through a most devastating war and now

the Nations are striving to restore order and prosperity and that it is only by renewal of spiritual and moral values that rehabilitation will be achieved. To this address the Grand Master replied, stating that all appreciated the honour His Majesty had conferred by coming in person to perform the Ceremony of Installation. He also said that the United Grand Lodge of England will never agree to recognize any Grand Lodge which does not conform to the ancient Landmarks and he particularly mentioned the Volume of the Sacred Law, and the belief in the Great Architect of the Universe.

At the Quarterly Communication of June 2nd, 1948, the Grand Master, the Duke of Devonshire presided. The Board of Benevolence reported having made grants since the last quarterly meeting aggregating £9,650 for the relief of fifty-five persons.

The Board of General Purposes reported that they had received many reports indicating that pride in Freemasonry had been stimulated by the Especial Grand Lodge held on March 23rd at Royal Albert Hall for the purpose of installation of the Duke of Devonshire. Eight thousand tickets were issued for the ceremony and many Brethren were excluded by lack of accommodation. The Board expressed its profound sorrow at the death of R.W. Brother General Sir Francis Davies, Past Deputy Grand Master who retired from the position in April, 1947. At that time a high tribute was paid to the service rendered by him by the then Grand Master, the Earl of Harewood.

The Board of General Purposes referred to the practice of having non-Masonic guest at after proceedings of the Lodges and ruled that there should be no non-Masonic guest at refreshments immediately preceding or following a Lodge Meeting, if Masonic toasts are to be given or Masonic speeches made; and that care should be taken to exclude all non-Masonic waiters before such a toast list is commenced.

Reference was made by the Board of General Purposes to requests from some of the Grand Lodges of the Dominion that they should be informed of any Masons emigrating from the country to the Dominions. The Board stated that it would be well if the Lodges of the Homeland should know of the desire of the overseas Grand Lodges and should send information as to any Brother emigrating to the Grand Secretary in London.

Advice was given by the Board of General Purposes to Secretaries of the Lodges in regard to the reporting of Grand Lodge Proceedings. The advice was that only the salient points should be reported.

At the Quarterly Communication in the month of September the Board of Benevolence reported assistance given to fifty-four persons. The amount being £9,715.

The Board of General Purposes announced that their Majesties the King and Queen had accepted the present voted by Grand Lodge on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding and expressed their pleasure at the congratulations of the Craft.

The Board once again expressed its thanks to those Grand Lodges overseas who have continued to send food parcels to Masons, their families and dependents. The parcels were arriving in greater numbers than previously and letters of thanks received by the Grand Secretary were evidence of the gratitude of the recipients.

At the Quarterly Communication held on December 4th, 1948, the Grand Master the Duke of Devonshire referred to the illness of His Majesty the King, stating that they were deeply concerned. He proposed that a message be sent to His Majesty by the Grand Lodge

expressing fraternal sympathy and this suggestion was on motion agreed to.

Notice was given by W. Brother the Earl of Derby that at the next Quarterly Meeting he would move that the Duke of Devonshire be elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

The Grand Master referred to the death of M.W. Brother the Earl of Donoughmore, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, stating that the Craft in England and Ireland had sustained a severe loss as he was a familiar figure in both England and Ireland. As Chairman of various committees in the House of Lords he had done splendid work and was admired for the help, sympathy and kindness to his fellowmen. A message of sympathy was sent to the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

FLORIDA

119th Annual Communication, at Jackson, April 20th, 21st and 22nd, 1948. Grand Master F. H. Thompson. Lodges 224. Members 39,691. Gain 4,136.

All the Officers attended and 6 Past Grand Masters were present. The Representatives of 35 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Louisiana, South Carolina and Canada in Ontario. 211 Lodges were represented.

Emergent Communications were held during the year for the purpose of conducting Funeral services of M.W. Bro. W. S. Taylor and M.W. Bro. J. C. Clarke, Past Grand Masters. There were also Emergent Communications for the purpose of Dedication three new Masonic Halls, to Lay Corner Stone of a new City Hall at West Palm Beach, and to Lay the Corner Stone of a new Temple.

The Grand Master addressed three communications to the Lodges during the year, one to the effect that if any Lodge received a Petition from someone rejected in another Jurisdiction the matter must be submitted to the Grand Master; the second to the effect that no rough or unseemly conduct should take place in the conferring of Degrees; and the third calling the attention of the Lodges to an excessive number of Members on the Emeritus Roll, thus exempting them from the payment of dues.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Kentucky and Georgia. He also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at the annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He presented a cheque to the Association for \$4,023.00, representing \$1.00 for each initiate during the year.

This Grand Lodge is in excellent financial condition, having no outstanding obligations. Several pieces of property belonging to the Masonic Home have been sold and the proceeds placed in the proper account. During the year, \$47,000.00 was invested in United States Government Bonds. Assets, including the Masonic Home and Masonic Temple, are valued at \$1,130,000.00. There were 54 residents in the Masonic Home on March 31st, 1948, and the operating costs amount to \$70,000.00. Twenty-six non-resident Members received assistance amounting to \$5,385.00. The Endowment Fund exceeds \$240,000.00.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported a number of requests for recognition, some from Latin America and some from

the devastated areas of Europe. They stated however, that the present international state of unrest prevents an accurate estimate of what the conditions will be in the near future, and recommended that the applications be held in abeyance.

The review of correspondence is by R.W. Bro. R. L. Martin. In a foreword attention is called to the concern being shown in many Jurisdictions as to the influx of new Members, the status of Negro Freemasonry and the question of physical qualifications. The reviewer states that sooner or later the race question must be recognized with the doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man. The reviews of the various Jurisdictions are very interesting and instructive, but Saskatchewan is not included, no doubt because the Proceedings were not received in time to have attention.

GEORGIA

161st Annual Communication at Macon on October 28th and 29th, 1947. Grand Master C. W. Monk. Lodges 457. Members 67,691. Gain 6,528. Eleven Special Communications were held during the year, four for the purpose of constituting new Lodges, two for the purpose of laying the corner stones of new temples and five to lay the corner stones of schools and churches.

All the officers attended the Annual Meeting and twelve Past Grand Masters were present. The Representatives of 48 Sister Jurisdictions attended, Saskatchewan being represented by Brother A. T. Harrison. There was a large representation of the Lodges and visitors were present from the Grand Lodge of Florida. After the opening ceremony the Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment to receive a Past Grand Matron of the Eastern Star.

In his address the Grand Master referred to the desire for peace after the recent world war; all were hopeful that peace would be quickly negotiated; all were still hopeful but it was evident that peace was no nearer if as near as when negotiations commenced; the country was again confronted with a serious situation similar in many respects to that which existed immediately preceding the second world war.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and also the Annual Meeting of the Masonic Service Association and of the George Washington National Memorial Association. As to the Conference of Grand Masters he reported 49 Jurisdictions in the United States and 6 in Canada represented. He stated that the meetings of the conference were most instructive. At the Meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association he presented a cheque for \$6,582 on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Georgia. He visited the Grand Lodges of Ohio, and Florida and was active throughout the year in visiting many of the Lodges.

In addition to constituting four new Lodges the Grand Master issued Dispensations for the formation of nine Lodges.

This Grand Lodge publishes the Masonic Messenger. Some difficulty has arisen owing to the Brethren who are paying for the publication not receiving it and the Grand Master emphasized the need of steps being taken to see that all Brethren received the paper.

There is a Masonic Home Endowment exceeding \$200,000. The average number of children maintained during the year was 77 and the cost of maintenance was about \$56,000.

There is no review of correspondence published. The Grand Master for 1947 and 1948 is M.W. Brother J. C. Perry.

ILLINOIS

109th Annual Communication at Chicago, October 12th, 1948. Grand Master F. I. Mills. Lodges 974. Members 231,410. Gain 7,184. Prior to the opening ceremony M.W. Brother Ralph H. Wheeler the Dean of Past Grand Masters gave an address in which he related the experiences of his first attendance at Grand Lodge. It is thirty-one years since M.W. Brother Wheeler served as Grand Master.

All the officers attended the annual meeting and six Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors were present from twenty-two Sister Jurisdictions including Canada in Ontario and Saskatchewan.

M.W. Brother William Tinsley who was Grand Master in 1947 and who presided over the Grand Lodge at its meeting in that year passed away on April 6th, 1947. A lengthy tribute to the many services he had rendered to Masonry was paid to him by the Committee on Necrology. The Grand Master referred at length to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial. On the basis of \$1.00 per Member, he stated that the Grand Lodge was indebted to the extent of \$89,000. During the year he addressed a letter to the Master of each Lodge making an appeal for funds. As a result of his letter he presented a cheque at the annual meeting in February, 1948 for \$66,000. He reminded the Brethren that there was still a balance of \$23,000 and he expressed the hope that he would be able to pay this sum in February, 1949.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February, 1948, and reported all Jurisdictions in the United States and some in Canada represented. He referred to several of the subjects there discussed and stated that they were of vital importance to Freemasonry in general.

In referring to the Old Folks' Home at Sullivan and the Orphans' Home at LaGrange, the Grand Master spoke of the home life atmosphere in both homes and said that every Mason should visit each of the homes.

According to the Grand Master Freemasonry in Illinois when viewed from the conferring of degrees and increased numbers is in a flourishing condition. He thinks however that conditions would be improved if social activities were given a definite part in the program of every Lodge.

In speaking of the Masonic Homes the Grand Master said that at the end of 1947 there were 182 guests in the Old Folks' Home and in 1948 there were 215. If the increase continues Grand Lodge is facing the problem of providing more accommodation. A committee is already working on a program of making changes in the present buildings and then entering upon a project of building an addition.

The Committee on Foreign Jurisdictions reported applications for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Chile, the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica and several Grand Lodges in South America and Mexico but reported that they could not recommend that the requests be granted.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was presented by M.W. Brother Elmer E. Beach. In a foreword regret is expressed in

the "renewal" of the dispute over Prince Hall Freemasonry which the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts says is regular and legitimate and the Grand Lodge of California says is clandestine. It is also stated that the reading of reviews from all over the world creates the impression of the universality of Freemasonry and also an uneasy dread of the future. The reviewer states that the choice lies between force and brotherly love; that no thinking man will choose force and therefore the world must be led along the path of brotherly love. The Saskatchewan proceedings do not appear among the many Jurisdictions reviewed.

INDIANA

131st Annual Communication at Indianapolis, May 18th and 19th, 1948. Grand Master W. H. Roberts. Lodges 538. Members 155,714. Gain 6,578. All the Officers attended and 15 Past Grand Masters were present. 48 sister jurisdictions were represented and visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Virginia, New Jersey, Vermont, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Oregon and the District of Columbia. 517 Lodges were represented. This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of three Past Grand Masters during the year: M.W. Brother D. B. Douglass, M.W. Brother Thomas B. Bohon, and M.W. Brother Ira H. Church. The Grand Master paid tribute to the services rendered by these distinguished Brethren and the Proceedings contain memorials to them.

The Grand Master granted a Dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge at Fort Wayne and laid the cornerstone of the Lodge building of Speedway Lodge. He visited many of the Lodges and also attended the annual meetings of the Grand Lodges of Wisconsin, Canada in Ontario, Illinois, Kentucky and Maryland. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported that the youth problem and Communism were the major topics of discussion.

The Grand Secretary, M.W. Brother William H. Swinz, retired on January 1st, 1948, after a service of twenty-seven years. At the Annual Meeting he was named Grand Secretary Emeritus and was granted an honorarium. M.W. Brother Dwight L. Smith the editor of the Indiana Freemason was appointed Grand Secretary.

The Grand Master spoke of Communism and expressed the opinion that Masonry should openly take a firm stand and assist in combating the insidious propaganda. He recommended the adoption of a resolution condemning Communism and a resolution was later introduced and adopted.

The balances in all funds exceed \$1,100,000. The Masonic Home Maintenance Fund amounts to approximately \$850,000. A new wing is being constructed at the Home to accommodate forty guests at the cost of about \$200,000. There are 315 residents in the Home and the cost of maintenance was \$328,000.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy. As to requests for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Uruguay and the Grand Lodge Minas Gerais, Brazil, the Committee advised that because of unsettled conditions in South America the requests be held until more complete information was available.

It was decided that each candidate should contribute a sum of \$1.00 to the George Washington National Memorial Association for the purpose of completing and maintaining the Memorial, such contribution to be made by adding the sum to the first dues collected from the candidate.

M.W. Brother Carl L. Hibberd is Grand Master for 1948-49. There is no review of correspondence published in the Proceedings.

IOWA

104th Annual Communication at Sioux City, June 8th and 9th, 1948. Grand Master J. V. Gray. Lodges 545. Members 84,802. Gain 3,341. Prior to the opening of Grand Lodge public exercises were held which were opened with prayer by a former Grand Chaplain, Rev. G. W. Dunn. The American Flag was presented and the audience joined in the pledge of allegiance and the National Anthem. An address of welcome was given by the Mayor of Sioux City. R.W. Brother R. R. Douglas the Senior Grand Warden presided in the absence of the Grand Master, M.W. Brother J. V. Gray, on account of illness. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Missouri, Minnesota, Illinois and South Dakota. Twelve Past Grand Masters were in attendance. A message from the Grand Master was read in which he regretted that he was not able to be present. The address of the Grand Master was read by the Senior Grand Warden. In the address the Grand Master referred to conditions in Europe as indicating greed, despair, mistrust and class hatred which do not forebode good for mankind; Brethren in countries now over-ridden by terrorism are faced with a great struggle for existence and Masonry has a great duty to perform. This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of M.W. Brother John W. Gannaway, Past Grand Master. The proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished Brother.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and was pleased to see the number of young men in attendance many of whom are serving as officers. He visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Missouri, Minnesota and Illinois.

Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of constituting two new Lodges and also to dedicate a Lodge room. The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and also the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. The Memorial has cost \$5,000,000 to date and it is estimated that another million dollars is needed for completion. Iowa Masons contributed the sum of \$170,320. The Grand Master reported the meeting of the Conference of Grand Masters as very impressive and interesting.

The Committee on Grand Lodge Recognition recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Finland which has already been recognized by the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland and by several Grand Lodges in the United States. They also recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Ceara, Brazil, the Grand Orient of Italy, the Grand Lodge of Minas Gerais, Brazil, and the Grand Lodge of Uruguay. The recommendations were on motion adopted.

The review of proceedings is by M.W. Brother E. R. Moore. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very fully reviewed. There is

an extended reference to the Flag Ceremony when the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes were both presented. There is also a reference to the ruling of the Grand Master that Masonic funds should be used for Masonic purposes only. The reports of the D.D.G.M.'s are commented upon as showing earnest activity and devotion to the purpose of Masonry on the part of the Members.

In what is called a "Review of Reviews" M.W. Brother Moore states that he prefers to consider each Jurisdiction individually and permit the reader to make his own comparisons. In referring to the great increase in Members he asks "in this increase is there a creation of Masons or only Members". He expresses the opinion that it is the duty of the Fraternity to make Masons out of the new Members regardless of numbers. As to Negro Freemasonry he says that he is in agreement with the correspondent of the Grand Lodge of Texas, M.W. Brother W. M. Weathered who holds that Negro Freemasonry in the United States in origin, organization and conduct is irregular and should not be recognized directly or by implication. As to physical qualifications it is stated that there is an urge for modification due to casualties in the war but how to accept a maimed candidate without transgressing an ancient landmark is a question to which there is no answer except an arbitrary ruling by a Grand Master.

IRELAND (1947)

Grand Master the Earl of Donoughmore.

At the St. John's Day meeting in 1947 the Grand Master stated that it was some years owing to the exigencies of war travel since he had been able to attend a meeting on St. John's day and that he had looked forward to the meeting with great pleasure. He referred to the fact that several of the lodges were building new halls and also to the attention which was being given to the exemplification of the ritual.

The Grand Master reported having recently been in communication with the Grand Master of Holland and that he had asked him why the Reformed Church of South Africa had attacked Masonry; he replied that the Masons of Holland should not be held responsible and that one of the churches in communication with the Dutch Reformed Church had broken away from it.

A reference was made to the fact that in South Africa there are four constitutions working side by side in perfect harmony and that there is in Capetown an annual service which is attended by all Provincial Grand Masters.

A new lodge has been started in Hong Kong, the first under the Irish Constitution and is working side by side with English and Scottish lodges.

The Grand Master gave a lengthy account of Masonry on the continent stating that it was wiped out in Holland, Denmark and Norway but is rebuilding again. He reported three Grand Lodges in France but considers none of them worthy of recognition at present. He referred to the conditions for recognition set out in the Declaration of Principles in 1938 and stated that from these conditions they would not depart.

The Grand Secretary reported at length on the meeting of the Grand Lodge in Londonderry in October of 1947. He also reported a

resolution passed at the general meeting conveying the sympathy of the Grand Lodge to the Grand Lodge of England on the occasion of the death of the Grand Master the Earl of Harewood. The Grand Master sent a personal message to Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal.

The proceedings contain reports from the Provincial Grand Masters. In addition to the reports from the Counties in Ireland there are reports from the Provincial Grand Masters in New Zealand, South Africa (Northern), Southern Cape, Rhodesia, Natal, India, Hong Kong and China, and Ceylon.

This Grand Lodge operates Masonic Schools, one for boys and one for girls. 210 children are being clothed, maintained and educated. There is also an Annuity Fund. There are 244 annuitants and the amount expended including special grants was £8,675.

KANSAS

92nd Annual Communication at Topeka, February 11th and 12th, 1948. Grand Master James H. Stewart. Lodges 439. Members 83,247. Gain 4,178. There was a full attendance of the Officers and visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Wyoming and Missouri. The roll of Past Grand Masters was called and 16 responded. The Grand Master expressed his appreciation for their co-operation throughout the year. The representatives of sister jurisdictions were presented and a welcome given them by the Deputy Grand Master. 221 constituent lodges were represented.

The Grand Master reminded the brethren that a lodge has its existence only by virtue of a charter from Grand Lodge and that the Grand Lodge could grant privileges and impose burdens. For this reason he said the business presented should have the attention of every member present.

In speaking of the condition in the world the Grand Master said that there were many factions struggling by force, graft or violence for advantage and with a total disregard for the welfare of mankind as a whole. He stated that Masons could render a service by carrying into the world a message and a practice of unity and harmony.

The Grand Master visited many of the lodges and expressed regret because he was not able to visit more. He reported every one to be long remembered and not as the discharge of an irksome duty. He also visited the Grand Lodge of Wyoming and the Deputy Grand Master represented him at the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Texas. He officiated at the laying of the cornerstones of all public buildings.

The Grand Master paid tribute to the work being done in the Masonic Home for aged dependents and juveniles and expressed the wish that more members would visit the home. Costs have increased but in spite of declining interest yields from the Endowment Fund the Home has carried on. He stated however that the time may come because of increased costs when the per capita for the support of the Home will have to be increased. The Endowment Fund exceeds \$900,000, and the cost of maintenance was \$182,000.

4 Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of constituting four new lodges.

The Committee on Foreign Relations recommended that recognition be extended to Grand Lodge Campeche (Mexico), the Grand Lodge de Minas Gerais (Brazil), the Grand Lodge of Uruguay, and the Grand Lodge of Rio Grand do Sul (Brazil). As to requests from the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, the Grand Lodge of Syria, and the Grand Lodge of Ceara (Brazil) they advised that they stand for further consideration.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Otto R. Souders. 60 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them the proceedings of Saskatchewan for 1947. The presence of the representative for Kansas is noted and there is a lengthy reference to the remarks of the Grand Master on the proper use of lodge funds.

KENTUCKY

147th Annual Communication at Louisville, October 21st, 22nd and 23rd, 1947. Grand Master A. C. Hanson. Lodges 479. Members 69,528. Gain 5,673. All the Officers attended and 16 Past Grand Masters were present. The American flag was presented by a colour guard. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Wyoming, Florida, Nebraska, Indiana and Missouri.

The Grand Master reported that during his tenure of Office he stressed the necessity of educating the newly obligated Masons and appealed to the Brethren for moral, spiritual and physical aid to all Youth movements and organizations which are calculated for the good of character and the preservation of good citizenship. He condemned philosophies of Government which are calculated to disrupt the American way of life and launch a state of totalitarianism.

The Grand Master reported attendance at the annual meeting of the Masonic Service Association of which Kentucky is not a Member. He was therefore present as a guest. He also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at which all Jurisdictions in the United States were represented, also 7 Canadian Jurisdictions and Puerto Rico. Among the subjects discussed were "How to Promote Lodge Attendance", "Physical Qualifications", "Negro Freemasonry", and the "Effect of War on Freemasonry".

The Educational Committee report an expenditure of \$6,280, in placing 29 children in the school. In addition, there were 12 children continued from last year.

The total receipts from all Lodges for the year amounted to \$237,263 and total disbursements were \$198,103.

M.W. Bro. J. H. Cowles prepared a report on the "Universality of Freemasonry". He was not however able to be present and his report was read by M.W. Bro. Chas. A. Keith. The report is very comprehensive and is prefaced with the remark that the situation in some of the foreign countries, especially in those where the English language is in use, is precarious. He also states that extreme care should be taken in order to learn about the regularity of Masonic bodies because a number of the countries are affected by irregular Freemasonry. The information contained in the report is most instructive, particularly in reference to South America and Europe, and should be read by everyone interested in world Freemasonry.

LOUISIANA

137th Annual Communication at New Orleans, February 16th, 17th, 18th, 1948. Grand Master Q. T. Hardtner. Lodges 248. Members 35,310. Gain 2,744. A Special Communication was held on March 2nd, 1947, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of M.W. Bro. Leon S. Haas, Past Grand Master. There were also 8 other Special Communications during the year, two for the purpose of constituting new lodges, 4 for the purpose of dedicating new lodge halls and 2 for the purpose of laying the cornerstones of new halls.

All the Officers attended the Annual Meeting and 18 Past Grand Masters were present. 228 constituent lodges were represented.

In reporting the increase in membership the Grand Secretary stated that the lodges throughout the State had been busy with degree work and that this condition would likely continue. The Grand Master also said that as a result of his visits of which he made many, he was impressed with the spirit of co-operation in the lodges visited. The membership of 35,310 appears to be the peak. Since 1923, when there were 33,214 members, the low point was reached in 1940 with 20,282 members.

The Grand Master also said that in these days of international confusion, when political systems are being subjected to critical examination, it is appropriate to discuss our own democracy and that all should take pride in the government established by the founding fathers of America and all should learn its essential nature. He stated that democracy was a difficult term to define and there were many definitions of it but that he defined it as a "political and social institution based upon civil equality providing for free expression in the arts, sciences, religion and enterprise, depending for its workability upon the mutual respect and confidence of its citizens and having for its great objective the betterment of man." He also said that although Masonry cannot and does not mingle in the conflicts of antagonistic political parties, it must necessarily by its influence affect materially the social and political progress of the people.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Texas and Mississippi. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. In his address he referred to the Masonic Service Association stating that it was doing a splendid work with men in hospitals. During the year the Grand Master addressed an appeal to the lodges for the assistance of Masonry in Europe. The amount contributed was \$5,013 and was sent to the Masonic Service Association.

The Board of Directors of the Masonic Home reported finances in good condition with a surplus for the year of \$23,645 after charging \$8,321 for depreciation. For several years a surplus has been reported and the amount accumulated now exceeds \$145,000. Repairs and replacements are however badly needed. The cost of operating the Home was about \$41,000 and there was an average of 40 children in residence. The per capita cost was \$1,021.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the National Grand Lodge of Italy stating that it had been recognized by the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts and South Carolina and that the Grand Lodge of New York had not severed fraternal relations with it during the Fascist period. There was

also an application from the Serenissima Grand Lodge of Italy, and the Committee recommended that no action be taken. A recommendation was however made that recognition be extended to the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Hungary at Budapest, and the Grand Lodge of Minas Gerais (Brazil).

There is no published Review of Correspondence.

MAINE

129th Annual Communication at Portland, May 9th, 1948. Grand Master C. W. Keene. Lodges 206. Members 42,082. Gain 1,491.

All the Officers attended and 9 Past Grand Masters were present. The National Flag was presented and the Brethren sang "America". 186 Lodges were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Quebec, Vermont, Massachusetts and New York. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and 54 answered to their names.

In opening his address, the Grand Master said that during his two years of Office it had been his privilege to meet with leading Members of the Fraternity from every State and that he had been impressed with the dignity and influence and the power of Masonry. He reported that during the past year Masonry in the State had a satisfactory and healthy growth.

The Grand Master stated that today there was a drift away from the early conceptions of Government; that the tendency was towards Socialism and Communism and a disregard for law. He pointed out that the disregard for law was contrary to the tenets of Masonry and he called upon the Brethren to exert their influence in their respective communities.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and said that he wished he could have visited all of them. He selected those for visitation where he felt he would be brought into contact with the greatest number. He received a number of invitations to visit Sister Jurisdictions but was unable to accept any excepting the invitation from the Grand Lodge of Quebec, meeting in the city of Montreal. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported the Conference as educational and inspiring.

Last year, at the request of the Grand Lodge, the Masonic Service Association established a Hospital Visitation Centre, at the Veterans' Hospital at Togus. The Grand Master described the services thus rendered to Veterans very important and he expressed the hope that it would be continued and that money would be appropriated to meet the cost.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported applications for recognition from the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Hungary, the Grand Orient of Italy at Rome, the Grand Lodge of Italy at Bari, the Grand Lodge of Uruguay and the Grand Lodges of Minas Gerais and Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil. The Committee recommended that recognition be withheld in each case, pending development of events and the receipt of more adequate information.

The review of correspondence is by R.W. Bro. Ralph J. Pollard. In a foreword he comments on the numerical growth and it is stated that there was an increase of 200,000 Members in 1947. Reference is made

to Masonic conditions in many European countries and also to conditions in South America, and to Latin America; it is said that Masonic conditions are troubled and that actual information as to beliefs and practices, is meagre. Leaders and policies change rapidly and sometimes, as in Peru, with revolutionary violence. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very kindly reviewed with references to the Flag Ceremony, to the ruling of the Grand Master as to the use of Grand Lodge funds and to the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry.

There is also a very interesting article prepared by Bro. Pollard on the subject of Negro Freemasonry which is appended to the review and which sets forth the position of the Prince Hall organization in a manner which places a different aspect on its legitimacy from that given in the report adopted by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. It is stated that the original African Lodge chartered by the Grand Lodge of England in 1784 lay dormant for many years and when it was revived in 1827 the doctrine of exclusive jurisdiction was firmly established and no effort was made to secure a Charter from the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts the only authority which could grant it. Moreover it is pointed out that the African Lodge had no right to Charter other Lodges, a power which is possessed by the Grand Lodge only. The only conclusion which can be drawn from the facts stated by R.W. Bro. Pollard is that Prince Hall Masonry is clandestine, and it is regrettable that the subject is receiving so much discussion as some discord may be the result.

MANITOBA

73rd Annual Communication at Winnipeg, June 2nd and 3rd, 1948. Grand Master H. B. Donnelly. Lodges 106. Members 12,525. Gain 727. Three Special Meetings were held during the year for the purpose of instituting Lodges.

All the Officers attended the Annual Meeting and 17 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

In reporting the increase in Membership the Grand Secretary stated that 86 Lodges showed an increase, 16 a decrease and in 4 the Membership was not changed. He also reported that there are 1,357 Life Members or 10.8% of the entire Membership.

There is a Benevolent Fund of \$376,000. Total income from the fund was \$12,853 and the expenditure was \$7,161 among 41 beneficiaries.

The committee on food parcels for Brethren in Britain reported receiving a sum exceeding \$25,000 for the purpose with contributions still being received. Three hundred parcels each month are being forwarded to names received from the Grand Secretaries of the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland.

In presenting its review the committee on correspondence referred to the continued growth everywhere and express some doubt as to what will happen when a period of depression comes. Reference is made to the solicitation of candidates for the so-called higher degrees and it is suggested that the officers of the various bodies meet frequently for the discussion of matters affecting the welfare of all.

The Union Jack and Stars and Stripes were presented and the Brethren joined in singing God Save the King and the Star Spangled Banner.

A reception was given the Grand Representatives present. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to convey the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba to their respective Jurisdictions.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of three Past Grand Masters, M.W. Brother Harry Woods, M.W. Brother Jabez Miller and M.W. Brother James Scroggie who was Grand Master in 1907-08, forty years ago. The Grand Master paid tribute to the services rendered by these distinguished Brothers and the proceedings contain memorials to them. The Grand Treasurer, R.W. Brother Alex Burgess also passed away during the year. He had served faithfully for many years and without reward.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges, attended all the District Meetings and also visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario and Saskatchewan. He was represented at the Annual Meetings of the Grand Lodges of Alberta and Minnesota by the Deputy Grand Master.

The committee on foreign relations recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Uruguay which has been recognized by the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland. The committee stated that it had received from the Grand Lodge its Declaration of Principles which was in harmony with the requirements.

The review of correspondence is by R.W. Brother Hugh M. Kerr. The review is topical and contains statements made by various Grand Masters on important subjects. The Saskatchewan Proceedings are given kindly reference with extracts from an address given by M.W. Brother H. B. Donnelly the Grand Master of Manitoba. There also is reference as to the conferring of the rank of Past Grand Masters on several visitors including the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

MASSACHUSETTS

Grand Master S. H. Wragg. Lodges 327. Members 17,656. Gain 4,998. Quarterly communications were held in March, June, September and December 1947 and the Stated Communication was held on December 29, 1947. There were many special meetings to celebrate anniversaries of Lodges and there were four special meetings for the purpose of constituting new Lodges.

At the quarterly meeting in March the Grand Master reported his visit to the Grand Lodge of Virginia and spoke of the happy relationship existing between the two jurisdictions. He also reported his attendance at the conference of Grand Masters and stated that every jurisdiction in the United States was represented and also several in Canada. The subjects discussed were of common interest including Wartime Masons, lodge attendance, physical qualifications and Negro Freemasonry. He also attended the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association and reported that the magnificent monument will not be completed for some time as only so much is undertaken each year as can be paid for.

The Grand Master referred to a report received from the District Grand Master of China. The Lodges in North China are functioning

but there is a lack of numbers. A loss of records and property are a handicap.

The Committee on Foreign Relations recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge Occidental of Colombia at Cali. In making their report the Committee stated that Colombia was a huge country having a number of states between which transportation was difficult. The Representative of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts near the Grand Lodge of Colombia at Bogota advised that recognition would be for the benefit of Freemasonry in general.

On January 24th, 1947, the report of the Committee of Past Grand Masters appointed by the Grand Master on March 22nd, 1947, to investigate Negro Freemasonry, was sent to each Lodge Secretary and notice given that action on the acceptance of the report would be taken at the quarterly meeting in March. The report was to the effect that Prince Hall Masonry was regular and recommended that the organizations of white and coloured Masons should proceed in parallel lines but organically separate and without mutually embarrassing demands or commitments. The report was unanimously adopted.

At the quarterly meeting in June the Committee on Foreign Relations reported applications from three organizations in Italy and recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy as the only Masonic Grand Lodge in that country. The Committee stated that the Commission sent by the Masonic Service Association to investigate conditions in Europe recommended that recognition be extended to the body and also expressed the opinion that recognition would do much for the preservation of freedom in Italy.

At the quarterly communication in September a resolution was passed conveying the sympathy of the Grand Lodge to the United Grand Lodge of England in the passing of their Grand Master the Earl of Harewood. A resolution was also adopted expressing sympathy to the National Grand Lodge of Denmark in the death of its Grand Master, King Christian X.

At the quarterly communication in December the Grand Master in reporting on the Membership stated that there were now 327 Lodges of which 311 were in Massachusetts, 7 in the Canal Zone, 3 in Chile and 6 in China. In reporting on conditions in China the Grand Master stated that on account of the difficulty of transportation between Shanghai and North China he had dissolved the District Grand Lodge of China and in its place had established two districts, one of Shanghai and one of North China, each under the control of a District Deputy Grand Master.

The assets of the Grand Lodge are valued at \$6,366,000. This sum includes real estate and equipment valued at nearly \$2,500,000. There is a Charity Trust exceeding \$3,000,000 and the amount expended on Charity including that spent by the Lodges and also the sum expended for the maintenance of the Masonic Home and hospital was about \$295,000. There were 132 residents in the home and 36 in the hospital and the cost of maintenance was about \$215,000.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of M.W. Brother Albert A. Shaefer who was Grand Master in 1941 to 1943. The proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished Brother who had been active in the work for many years.

At the Stated Communication on December 29th there was a full attendance of the Officers and guests were present from the Grand

Lodges of Pennsylvania, Maryland, North Carolina, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, Maine, Illinois, Canada in Ontario and Nova Scotia. The installation of Officers was held and in the evening all assembled in the Banquet Hall for the celebration of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist in accordance with ancient custom. Addresses were delivered by several of the visitors.

MICHIGAN

103rd Annual Communication at Detroit May 27th, 1947. Grand Master Paul O. Strawhecker. Lodges 516. Members 142,438. Gain 7,447. All the Officers attended and 17 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio and Illinois. When the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, M.W. Bro. Charles Hamilton was introduced the Union Jack was displayed. The representatives of 49 jurisdictions were present. All lodges except 50 were represented, and the total attendance including representatives of lodges, officers and visitors exceeded 1,000.

The Grand Master dealt at length with the budget pointing out the general expenditure would amount to \$82,000, an increase of \$10,000 due largely to increased salaries, the cost of printing and office expense. The sum of \$240,000 was needed to operate the Masonic Home together with the sum of \$30,000 for capital expenditure. The receipts in the Masonic Home Maintenance Fund are estimated at \$167,000 and accordingly the sum of \$103,000 is required to be made up out of Grand Lodge Funds.

Reference was also made by the Grand Master to the George Washington National Memorial for which the sum of \$3,329 was contributed during the year. He stated that originally it was intended to construct the memorial by contributions of \$1.00 per member from the Masonic population of the United States in 1932. In that year the Michigan membership was 150,107, and Michigan was one of the first jurisdictions to pay the original assessment and contributions to date have amounted to \$193,893. The architect in charge has estimated a sum of \$670,000 is needed to complete the memorial. The Grand Master stated that Michigan should contribute a further sum of \$80,000 and he recommended an appropriation of \$40,000 at once. This recommendation was concurred in by the Finance Committee and was carried by a vote in Grand Lodge.

The sum of \$12,304 was sent the Masonic Service Association to be sent to the Grand Lodge of California with instructions that the entire sum be used for the restoration of the Masonic Temple at Manilla owned by the Grand Lodge of the Philippines. The Grand Master made reference to relief in Europe and to the fact that the Masonic Service Association had distributed \$112,850 for European Masonic Relief and stated that while he had great sympathy for the need in Europe he felt a primary responsibility for the people here and he looked upon the Philippines as a part of the people of the United States, and for this reason relief there should be the first concern.

Referring to aid to disabled veterans and the appropriation last year of \$5,000, as well as aid to the Masonic Service Association the Grand Master expressed the opinion that the Grand Lodge could itself

give more effective aid in the field by disbursing its funds on its own account. He accordingly recommended that the sum of \$10,000 be appropriated to be expended by the Grand Master in aid of disabled veterans in various hospitals at such times and in such amounts as he deems advisable. He also recommended withdrawal from membership in the Masonic Service Association.

The Grand Secretary reported that every lodge had paid its per capita dues in full on the 1st of December, 1946.

An amendment to the Constitution was adopted providing for a Committee of 3 members on Fraternal Relations whose duty it should be under the direction of the Grand Master to examine all petitions for fraternal recognition and to report thereon in writing to Grand Lodge with such recommendations as are deemed advisable and also to examine the correspondence and reports from other Grand Lodges and make such report thereon in writing as may be deemed advisable.

There is no published review of Correspondence. The Grand Master for 1947-48 is M.W. Bro. Clarence A. Hooper.

MICHIGAN

104th Annual Communication at Detroit, May 25th and 26th, 1948. Grand Master C. A. Hooper. Lodges 519. Members 148,437. Gain 5,988. All the Officers attended and 15 Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of 43 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance, Saskatchewan being represented by W. Brother J. H. Lyons. 486 Lodges were represented. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, Indiana and Ohio. In his address the Grand Master referred to the Board of General Purposes which was set up two years ago. He expressed the opinion that it was still an experiment and that it would be several years before it could prove its true worth.

The Grand Master reported his attendance at the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association where he presented a cheque for \$40,000 voted by the Grand Lodge last year. He also presented a cheque for \$3,825 which represented voluntary contributions for the year. This Jurisdiction considers that it is still indebted to the Memorial in the sum of \$30,000 and the Grand Master recommended that the sum of \$15,000 be appropriated on account.

On May 30th, 1947, the Masonic Temple at Grand Rapids was partially destroyed by fire but the Grand Lodge records were saved. The office of the Grand Secretary was removed to the ground floor of the Temple at considerable expense.

At the last annual meeting the sum of \$13,000 was voted for the relief of distressed Brethren in foreign Jurisdictions. The Committee on Foreign Relations and the Board of General Purposes authorized the shipment of one thousand parcels for distressed Brethren and their widows in England being of the opinion that they needed help most. The Grand Master recommended an appropriation of \$10,000 for relief abroad during the coming year.

As to fraternal relations particularly in Europe the Grand Master expressed the opinion that the Grand Lodge should proceed carefully in the matter of recognition because of existing conditions.

Three new Lodges were instituted during the year. There are 209 residents in the Masonic Home of whom 61 are being cared for in the hospital. The appropriation for the Home for 1948-49 is \$302,000. There is an Endowment Fund of \$897,000.

The committee on foreign relations presented a most interesting and instructive report in which there is a review of the situation in various parts of the world. Michigan has recognized the Grand Orient of Belgium but because of information as to the practices of the Grand Orient correspondence has been commenced to ascertain the facts. The committee recommended that recognition be extended to for Grand Lodge of Bolivia, the National Grand Lodge of Colombia at Barranquilla, the Grand Lodge of Finland, the Grand Lodge of Kampeche and the Grand Lodge of Tamaulipas both in Mexico, the National Grand Lodge of France and the Grand Orient of Italy.

An amendment was adopted to the Constitution on the subject of dual Membership. The amendment permits a man to be a Member of two Lodges but prevents Membership in more than two Lodges.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of two Past Grand Masters during the year, M.W. Brothers Ira A. Beck, Grand Master in 1920 and M.W. Brother Albert J. Young, Grand Master in 1931. The proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished Brethren. There is no published review of correspondence.

MINNESOTA

95th Annual Communication at St. Paul, January 21st and 22nd, 1948. Grand Master C. L. Jacobson. Lodges 292. Members 56,469. Gain 2,722. Two Occasional Communications were held during the year, one for the purpose of constituting Highland Park Lodge No. 336 and the other for the purpose of laying the Corner Stone of a public building.

All the Officers attended the Annual Meeting and seventeen Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of forty-seven Jurisdictions were present, Saskatchewan being represented by Brother R. E. Van Kirk. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Iowa, South Dakota and the District of Columbia.

The Grand Master reported a busy year visiting the Lodges and attending to the other duties of his office. He granted 322 Dispensations of which 305 were for the conferring of degrees on more than five candidates.

In referring to the work carried on at the hospital in Rochester the Grand Master stated that he had been amazed at its extent. During 1947 the representative of the Grand Lodge of Rochester contacted 7,000 arrivals who came from all parts of the world to take advantage of the healing art of the Mayo Clinic. The representative writes letters for patients, receives letters and telegrams, arranges for ambulances and finds rooms and hotel accommodations.

At the last Annual Meeting the Grand Master was authorized to ascertain the need of the Masonic Service Association. At the Conference of Grand Masters in Washington he was convinced that it was necessary to continue the work in the military and naval hospitals for some years and he accordingly sent out a general call for voluntary contributions of one dollar per Member. He recom-

mended that the incoming Grand Master be given similar authority to investigate and to issue such call for contributions as he deems advisable.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Iowa, North Dakota, and South Dakota. As to his visit to Manitoba he stated that he was received with true Canadian hospitality. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and referred to the various subjects there discussed including Wartime Masons, Lodge attendance, physical qualifications and Negro Freemasonry. As to the George Washington Memorial he said that the contributions of Minnesota Masonry have not kept pace with other American Jurisdictions.

The Grand Master dealt at length with the finances of the Masonic Home and indicated that the cost of maintenance had increased to such an extent that a large deficit was likely to be incurred. He therefore recommended an increase of the annual per capita for the Home maintenance and suggested that it be increased from one dollar to two dollars. Later a resolution was introduced providing for the increase of the per capita and referring the matter to the Lodges for consideration with the provision that the amendment be introduced at the next Annual Meeting.

The review of the correspondence is by M.W. Brother E. A. Montgomery. Fifty-four Jurisdictions are reviewed and in an introduction it is stated that all Jurisdictions reviewed show an increase in Membership. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very kindly reviewed with a reference to the flag ceremony, to the Committee on Masonic Education, to the Benevolent Fund and to the Report on Correspondence.

MISSISSIPPI

130th Annual Communication at Meridian, February 10th and 11th, 1948. Grand Master W. F. McDonald. Lodges 304. Members 37,461. Gain 3,014. There was a full attendance of the Officers and 13 Past Grand Masters were present. 223 Lodges were represented. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Louisiana, Pennsylvania and Delaware. The roll of Past Grand Masters was called and those present were cordially welcomed.

In reporting on the Membership the Grand Secretary stated that the Grand Lodge now had 907 more Members than ever before in its history. The Lodges all appear to be in good financial position as all dues have been paid. There is a Home Endowment Fund of \$395,000 and total securities held in all funds amount to \$500,000. In addition there is a cash surplus in the various funds of \$160,000.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and reported having been courteously received on all occasions. He expressed regret at not having been able to accept all invitations received. He visited the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Tennessee, Texas and Louisiana.

Some years ago the Grand Lodge erected a building on the grounds of the Tuberculosis Sanatorium. The building now requires to be modernized in order to be useful for treatment under modern methods and the Grand Master recommended that steps be taken to make the necessary changes.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington. He reported every Jurisdiction in the United States

represented and 7 of those in Canada. He also attended the annual meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association and presented a cheque to help in the completion of the Memorial. As to the Masonic Service Association the Grand Master recommended that the Grand Lodge rejoin because of the assistance given the State on the occasion of the flood in 1927 and because of assistance given at the time of the recent hurricane.

The fraternal correspondent recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy which has 418 Lodges at work. The Grand Orient is recognized by several Grand Lodges in the United States. Applications however from the Grand Lodge of Minas Gerais, Brazil, and the Grand Lodge of Hungary were held for further information.

In presenting the review of correspondence Brother Edward B. Shearer referred to the growth in Members and the concern expressed by some Grand Masters as to the size of some Lodges and also to the smallness of others. He stated that there are about 3,000,000 Masons in the United States and that a great influence for good should be exercised. The review deals with all the Jurisdictions in the United States but there is no reference to any of the Jurisdictions in Canada.

MISSOURI

127th Annual Communication at St. Louis, September 28th, 29th and 30th, 1948. Grand Master M. E. Ewing. Lodges 601. Members 109,167. Gain 4,253. All the Officers attended and visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Nebraska, Kansas and Idaho. 16 Past Grand Masters were present and 429 Lodges were represented.

In his address the Grand Master referred to instances of Members using their Masonic connection to promote their election to public office and stated that the practice could not be tolerated for it would destroy the usefulness of the Fraternity.

The Grand Master referred to large and small Lodges stating that in Missouri the size of Lodges varies from 15 to 3,000 Members. He thinks that some of the Lodges are too small and should be consolidated. He also expressed the opinion that some Lodges are too large and prevent many from taking an active part in the work. He referred to the practice of the United Grand Lodge of England in organizing new Lodges with average Membership whenever a Lodge becomes too large.

In speaking of the solicitation of candidates the Grand Master said that every candidate must state whether he has freely offered himself as a candidate and that under these circumstances no Member should solicit anyone.

At the last annual meeting the Grand Master was authorized to appoint a committee to consider the question of printing a magazine. He reported that he had not done so as a magazine is expensive and on account of the increased cost of Grand Lodge and the Masonic Home the time was not opportune.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges. He attended most of the District Meetings, was present at the Conference of Past Grand Masters at Washington and visited several Sister Jurisdictions.

The President of the Masonic Home reported that the increase of forty cents per capita voted at the last annual meeting had proved vital to the Home because of increased costs. There are 277 residents in the Home and it is badly crowded. The cost per resident per year is about \$1,000.

M.W. Brother B. S. Lee reported his attendance at the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. There was contributed at this meeting a total of \$250,000, of which \$209,000 was for the building account and \$41,000 for the Endowment Fund.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother R. V. Denslow and is entitled the Masonic World. The review is topical and contains much information as to Masonry in the world. There is a history of Masonry in Italy covering two centuries. M.W. Brother Denslow was a Member of the American Commission which visited Europe and he referred to the visit to Italy and the contact with the Grand Orient of which he speaks in the highest terms. There is a section of the review dealing with Foreign Recognition and it is stated that the thing most needed is international Masonic unity; but not by efforts here and there to recognize Grand Lodges regular or irregular but by a sincere study of international conditions. It is stated that the policy of taking no action until political unrest has settled is not the proper course in cases of legitimate Grand Lodges. Reference is made to the Grand Orient of Italy, the National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia and the Grand Lodge of Austria. In these countries the Brethren have great satisfaction in knowing that their efforts to preserve Masonry are appreciated as shown by their recognition. Freemasonry in Canada receives extended notice and in dealing with Saskatchewan reference is made to the flag ceremony, to the ruling of the Grand Master that Masonic funds must be used for Masonic purposes and to the conference of Western Grand Lodges at Banff.

MONTANA

83rd Annual Communication at Great Falls, August 19th and 20th, 1947. Grand Master C. S. Kenyon. Lodges 138. Members 21,772. Gain 1,120. All the Officers attended and there was a large representation of lodges. The national flag was presented and the pledge of allegiance given. The Union Jack was also presented and a tribute paid to it as the emblem of freedom and democracy. Guests were present from the Grand Lodges of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Ohio, North Dakota, South Dakota, Maryland, Idaho, Wyoming, Washington, Utah and New Jersey. An address of welcome was delivered by W. Bro. J. C. Johnson, Mayor of Great Falls. A reception was accorded to the Past Grand Masters present.

There was a Special Communication at Helena on June 30th, 1947, to conduct the funeral service of M.W. Bro. John Kain, Past Grand Master.

In reporting on the Masonic Home at Helena the Grand Master stated that more room was badly needed and that new building would have to be commenced at an early date. He paid tribute to the manner in which the Home was being maintained and spoke of the feeling of goodwill which prevailed among the guests. There are 45 residents in the Home and the operating expense exceeded \$44,000.

On January 4th, 1947, a new lodge was instituted at Billings, being the third in that City.

The Grand Master visited many of the lodges. He attended the Annual Conference of the four Western Canadian jurisdictions at Banff and referred to the pleasure he had in meeting distinguished Masons from these jurisdictions and also to the benefit of the discussions which took place. He visited the Grand Lodge of Utah and attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. During the past year Montana contributed \$1,406 to the Memorial.

In reporting on the membership the Grand Secretary stated that 115 Lodges showed gains, 8 no change, and 13 reported losses. He also reported that there were 7 Lodges with more than 500 members and a number with only 30 to 40 members.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge National of Italy, stating that it was fully organized and that it complied with the requirements for recognition. They also recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands.

Addresses were delivered by several of the visitors present including M.W. Bro. W. L. Stockwell the Grand Secretary of North Dakota and M.W. Bro. Hector Mackay, the Grand Master of Saskatchewan.

A resolution was introduced by the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home with respect to a balance of contributions made partly for the Masonic Service Association and particularly for members of the Armed Forces located in Montana. It was suggested that the Funds be placed in the hands of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home and be used for the relief of distressed Masons and veterans of the Armed Forces, their widows and orphans.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. C. J. McAllister. The Review is lengthy and in great detail covering 140 pages indicating the immense amount of work carried out by the reviewer. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1946 are very fully dealt with. There are references to the flag ceremony, to the Christmas message of the Grand Master, and to the work of the Benevolent Fund Trustees. There is also a complimentary reference to the work of R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

NEBRASKA

91st Annual Communication at Omaha, June 8th, 9th and 10th, 1948. Grand Master Edward Huwaldt. Lodges 277. Members 39,323. Gain 1,527. All the Officers attended and 15 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Missouri and Minnesota. The Past Grand Masters were introduced and extended a welcome by the Grand Master who thanked them for their continued interest and said that all looked to them for leadership. Each of them was presented with a Past Grand Master's Apron. The flag of the United States was presented by representatives of the services. An address of welcome was given by W. Brother Arthur R. Logan, Master of one of the Omaha Lodges.

In opening his address the Grand Master warned the Brethren that freedom is being threatened by an ideology which promises better and greater things. He said that every citizen should be watchful to see that freedom and individual liberty were preserved.

The Masonic Home was organized in 1889 but was not opened till 1903. Since then 720 persons have been admitted and many who are now residents require hospital care. All space is at present occupied and there are a number seeking admission. An addition is necessary and plans are being prepared. The cost of the addition is estimated to be larger than the amount available which is \$350,000. The per capita cost of operation has increased from \$414.00 in 1938 to \$845.00 per year. There are an average of 77 residents in the Home during the year. There is also a Masonic and Eastern Star Home for children where 39 are being maintained.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported on some of the subjects discussed there such as Freemasonry and Communism, Freemasonry in Italy and Freemasonry and Youth. He stated that the meeting supplied a wealth of information which could be obtained in no other way. He also attended the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association and presented a cheque on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska for \$2,500. This Grand Lodge had already contributed \$1.00 per Member.

The Grand Master reported Masonry in Nebraska in a healthy condition with many of the Lodges having all the work they can do. He commented upon the outstanding increase in Membership for the past year.

The roll of Grand Representatives was called and 51 responded. Saskatchewan was represented by Brother Harold H. Thom. They were welcomed by the Grand Master who asked them to correspond with someone in the Jurisdiction represented.

The review of correspondence was presented by M.W. Brother William B. Wanner. The review is brief and is topical in character. It is stated that the proceedings of 57 Jurisdictions were reviewed. General conditions and the increases in Membership are referred to with statistics showing that the Membership in the United States has reached a figure close to the peak before the depression. On the subject of physical qualifications it is stated that additional Grand Lodges are "lowering the bars for Membership" and that the general opinion appears to be to leave the matter to the local Lodges and if they cannot decide submit it to a ruling of the Grand Master. Reference is also made to Negro Freemasonry and there is a suggestion that the subject should rest where it has for many years. Masonic homes and the difficulty due to increased cost are the subject of comment.

NEVADA

84th Annual Communication at Reno, June 10th and 11th, 1948. Grand Master G. A. Montrose. Lodges 26. Members 4,117. Gain 178. All the officers attended and all Lodges except one were represented. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present and were cordially welcomed by the Grand Master. After the opening ceremony the National Flag was received and the pledge of allegiance given. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of California and Utah.

In his address the Grand Master stated that in visiting the Lodges he tried to impress upon them the duties of Masons in these days. He was of the opinion that he was not discussing politics when he advised that they should not sit idly by and see the conditions of the country wrecked by the forces outside or inside the nation. He stated however that he resented the use of Masonic affiliation as merit for public office.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of M.W. Brother Harold R. Amens, Grand Master in 1933-34. The Grand Master paid tribute to the services rendered by this distinguished Brother.

The Grand Master reported Masonry in Nevada is steadily gaining with an increase of 178 and one new Lodge during the year.

The finances are in a sound position there being a balance in the general fund as a result of the year's operations.

The committee on the Legitimacy of Grand Lodges reported that owing to uncertainty in the world particularly in Europe they were of the opinion that recognition of foreign Grand Lodges should be deferred to a later date when conditions may be settled.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother E. C. Peterson. Sixty-four Jurisdictions are reviewed among them Saskatchewan for 1947. In a foreword it is stated that the general opinion is that we must educate the initiates in order to avoid the tragic experience following the first world war. Reference is made to Negro Freemasonry and the action of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and the opinion is expressed that it should continue to practise separately as it has for many years. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very kindly reviewed with references to the visitations of the Grand Master, to the increase in Membership, to the Board of Benevolence and to the reviews of the committee on correspondence.

NEW BRUNSWICK

80th Annual Communication at St. John, August 28th, 1947. Grand Master A. S. Robinson. Lodges 44. Members 6,749. Gain 596. An Emergent Communication was held on March 15th, 1947, for the purpose of dedicating Acacia Lodge No. 49. There was also a special meeting in Moncton, June 29th, 1947, for the festival of St. John the Baptist.

On August 27th, 1947, the day preceding the Annual Meeting there was held a Grand Masters' Convention of District Deputy Grand Masters, Masters, Wardens and other officers of the subordinate Lodges. In his address the Grand Master emphasized the educational program. He stated that the philosophy of totalitarianism is atheism and materialism both death to the Masonic Institution which is founded upon the practice of the social and moral virtues and first of all on the belief in the Supreme Being. He also said that Masonry could only survive under democratic government. All the officers attended the annual meeting and visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New Jersey and Massachusetts. A letter was read from W. Bro. James D. McKenna, the mayor of St. John., regretting his inability to be present. The roll of representatives of Sister Jurisdictions was called and twenty-nine responded. The Grand Master welcomed them and

requested them to extend the fraternal greeting of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick to their respective Jurisdictions. All the Lodges but one were represented.

In his address the Grand Master referred to the death of J. B. M. Baxter, Past Grand Master who was a former premier of the province and was a distinguished jurist. He was Grand Master in 1932-33, was a keen student of Masonry and delivered many instructive and inspiring addresses. Reference was also made to the death of the Earl of Harewood, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Massachusetts, Quebec and Rhode Island and also visited many of the Lodges. It was his desire to visit all the Lodges but owing to pressure of work he found it impossible to visit some of them. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and also the Conference of the Canadian Jurisdictions at Montebelle, Quebec.

The Benevolent Fund has securities of almost \$100,000. There was expended during the year the sum of \$2,050 to thirteen beneficiaries.

The Committee on Masonic Education made available to the Lodges a series of questions on some of the degrees to be used for educational purposes in the Lodges. The demand for the material has been encouraging and this educational work is being continued.

M.W. Brother D. C. Malcolm was elected Grand Master for 1947-48. There is no published review of correspondence.

NEW BRUNSWICK

81st Annual Communication at St. John, August 26th, 1948. Grand Master D. C. Malcolm. Lodges 45. Members 7,236. Gain 487. On the day preceding the annual meeting a Convention of D.D.G.M.'s, Wardens and other Officers was held at which a degree was conferred by Union Lodge of Portland No. 10. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Quebec and Nova Scotia.

All the officers attended the annual meeting and visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Quebec, Maine, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and forty-three responded. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and requested to extend the greetings of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick to their respective Jurisdictions. All Lodges except one were represented.

In his address the Grand Master stated that we are living in a confused and troubled period: Nations are attempting to arrive at a basis for a permanent peace but little progress has been made: in his opinion the practice of the Golden Rule by men of all nations will result in a lasting peace.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported a discussion of many interesting subjects, among them Freemasonry and Communism, Freemasonry in Italy and The Obligations of Freemasonry to Youth.

The Grand Master expressed disappointment that the Lodge system of Masonic education was not being undertaken with the zeal

expected. Too much attention was being given to making Members and not Masons. He said the purpose of the Fraternity was to build men of good morals, men of strong character, men of goodwill who are generous in the relief of those in distress.

The finances are in a sound position there being a surplus as a result of the year's operations. There is a Benevolent Fund exceeding \$100,000. Grants amounting to \$2,975 were made from the Fund for the year.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

159th Annual Communication at Concord, May 19th, 1948. Grand Master H. O. Cady. Lodges 81. Members 14,756. Gain 520. A Special Communication was held at Milford on September 27th, 1947, for the purpose of dedicating the Lodge Room of Benevolent Lodge No. 7.

The Semi-annual Communication was held at Manchester on November 18th, 1947. All the Officers attended and eight Past Grand Masters were present. Forty-nine Sister Jurisdictions were represented, Saskatchewan's Representative, Brother J. J. Tilton, being present. Sixty-seven Lodges were represented. The National Colours were presented and the pledge of allegiance given. During the day the three degrees were exemplified by three of the Lodges.

The report of the Masonic Home Superintendent showed 18 men and 23 women in residence, the average age being over 80 years. The operating costs are still at a very high level due to the high price of supplies and labour with no immediate prospect for relief.

At the Annual Meeting ten Past Grand Masters were present and 55 Sister Jurisdictions and 81 Lodges were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, New Jersey, Vermont and Rhode Island. The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and also visited the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters in Washington and reported the Conference the most interesting which he had attended. He was present at the George Washington National Memorial Association and presented a cheque for \$1,766 on behalf of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.

The Grand Master reported applications for Dispensations to confer degrees in less than statutory time but refused except in cases where candidates were on short leave from the Armed Services.

The Grand Master recommended an increase of twenty-five cents in the per capita assessment because of the narrow margin of income over expenditure. This recommendation was later adopted. He also advised an up-to-date revision of the Constitution because of the many amendments since the last revision in 1938.

The Committee on Correspondence reported applications from eleven Grand Lodges but stated that because of world unrest and the unstable position of governments they hesitated to make recommendations. They recommended however that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy and the Grand Lodge of Uruguay.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother J. M. Dresser. In a foreword reference is made to the "longed for peace" in the world and the threat of war. The reviewer emphasized the need for educa-

tion of candidates; the candidates should be taught what Masonry is, its aims and principles, what he may expect from the Fraternity and what the Fraternity has a right to expect from him. As to Negro Freemasonry it is asked why "we should get stirred up over a problem that seems almost non-existent". The opinion is expressed that Prince Hall Masonry is regular and that we should go along as has been the practice for many years. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very kindly reviewed. There are references to the address of the Grand Master in which he stated that his primary object had been to stimulate Masonic Education. The Conference of the Four Western Canadian Jurisdictions at Banff is referred to and the reviewer compliments the present writer on his reviews. For the compliment we thank M.W. Brother Dresser.

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF NEWFOUNDLAND

This is a District Grand Lodge of the Grand Lodge of England. The District Grand Master is R.W. Brother George R. William. The Semi-annual Communication was held at St. John's on November 19th, 1947, and the 77th Annual Meeting was held on April 25th, 1948.

There are 13 Lodges with a Membership of 1,739, an increase of 97 for the year. Two new Lodges were added during the year. The Grand Secretary in his report called attention to the number of Members in arrears with their dues and said that the matter should be carefully looked into by the Lodges.

The District Grand Master referred to an invitation to attend the second conference of the Maritime Grand Lodges at Amherst in Nova Scotia but stated that he was unable to accept the invitation personally nor to arrange for a delegation. He expressed the hope that in the future Newfoundland would be represented.

NEW JERSEY

161st Annual Communication at Atlantic City, April 21st and 22nd, 1948. Grand Master Frank Kovatch. Lodges 279. Members 86,036. Gain 4,052. There were two emergent communications during the year for the purpose of conducting the funerals of M.W. Brother Edward M. Gearing and M.W. Brother Andrew Foulds. The Proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished Brethren.

At the annual meeting there was a full attendance of officers and nineteen Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of sixty jurisdictions were in attendance, Saskatchewan being represented by W. Brother J. W. Kempson. 276 Lodges were represented and visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania, Virginia, New York, Maryland, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, Ohio, District of Columbia, Indiana and Illinois. The pledge of allegiance was given and the Brethren joined in the National Anthem. The Grand Representatives were welcomed by the Grand Master. He asked them to advise their respective jurisdictions of the pleasure of having them represented and to express to them the best wishes of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

In his address the Grand Master stated that he had endeavoured during the year to inform the Members of the operations of Grand

Lodge, the Masonic Home and the Charity Fund in order that they might be able to have a full understanding of the business conducted.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges in every part of the state making a special effort to visit the smaller Lodges which had not been visited by a Grand Master for years.

In referring to physical qualifications the Grand Master stated that the Constitution required that candidates "literally conform to all the requirements of ancient Craft Masonry." For this reason he granted very few requests for waiver of physical defects and he recommended that the Constitution be changed to meet the requirements of Speculative Masonry. The change suggested would enable the Masters to proceed with an initiation when he knows of the competency of the candidate to conform to the requirements of Speculative Masonry. The suggested amendment was adopted.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported discussion on the youth problem and on Communism which threatens the American way of life. He also attended the Meeting of the Masonic Service Association and recommended that the Grand Lodge of New Jersey continue its support of the Association.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy but stated that applications from the Grand Lodges of Hungary, Uruguay, Minas Gerais and Ceara in Brazil should be held for further information. The report was adopted.

M.W. Brother Walter S. Gay, the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented a report containing a review of Sister Jurisdictions. In a foreword reference is made to the increases in Membership and to the statements of several Grand Masters that quality is to be preferred to quantity. Concern is expressed on the subject of attendance. There is a reference to physical qualifications and it is stated that some Grand Lodges, notably Pennsylvania, regard the doctrine of physical perfection as a landmark, but others, and perhaps the majority feel that each Grand Lodge may legislate on the subject and are of the opinion that the fact that a candidate is maimed should not prevent his admission provided that he can comply with the ceremonies and is in other ways acceptable. The Proceedings of 72 Jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1947. There are references to the work of the Committee on Masonic Education, to the Conference of Western Canadian Jurisdictions at Banff and to the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

NEW MEXICO

The 71st Annual Communication at Santa Fe, March 22nd and 23rd, 1948. Grand Master R. F. Asplund. Lodges 57. Members 9,470. Gain 754.

A Special Communication was held on June 9th, 1947, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of M.W. Bro. John S. MacTavish, Past Grand Master.

There were also three Special Communications, one to Constitute a new Lodge, one to Lay the Corner Stone of a new Masonic Temple, and one to Dedicate a new Masonic Hall.

All the Officers attended the Annual Meeting and 11 Past Grand Masters were present. The Representatives of 56 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance. They were welcomed by the Grand Master who asked them to send an account of the proceedings to their respective Jurisdictions. Saskatchewan was represented by W. Bro. Frank H. Alpers. A reception was accorded to the Past Grand Masters and the Grand Master complimented them on the services they had rendered and stated that their counsel and advice would always be welcome. The Grand Masters of Texas and Colorado were visitors.

The Grand Master was unable to accept invitations from Sister Jurisdictions, except one from the Grand Lodge of Colorado. He was present at the Conference of Grand Masters and reported that the total amount of money presented at the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association, exceeded \$200,000. At the Conference of Grand Masters the Grand Master presented a paper on the subject "Freemasonry and Youth".

This Grand Lodge publishes a paper known as the "New Mexico Freemason". It is published monthly and the Grand Master stated that it was proving of high value as a medium of information.

There is a revolving student loan fund. There have been in all 345 loans made since the fund was established, aggregating \$62,000. The balance at present outstanding is \$1,263, and this means that nearly all the loans have been repaid. The principle of the fund exceeds \$13,000. There is a Masonic Home Fund of nearly \$150,000, but steps have not yet been taken to construct a Home.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented a topical report. Lengthy reference is made to the treatment of maimed men and it is stated that "we no longer live in the age when the ancient charges were written, nor are we Operative Masons now". The subject of Negro Freemasonry is dealt with; statements on the subject, by several Grand Masters, are quoted. A complicated situation is predicted.

NEW SOUTH WALES

59th Annual Report for the year ending June 30th, 1947. Grand Master Frank Whiddon. Lodges 649. Members 92,867. Gain 6,515.

Quarterly Communications were held in September and December, 1946, and in March and June, 1947. A Special Communication was held on July 3rd, 1946, at Sydney for the Proclamation of the Grand Master, and the investiture of Grand Lodge officers. The Grand Master had been re-elected, and in addressing the brethren stated that his year of office had been a wonderful experience. He referred to the number of candidates, and stated that an opportunity was not provided for the instruction of new members. He said that never before was there a greater necessity for responsible men to contemplate world affairs, and he added that the condition of the world was never worse. Hostilities had ceased, but peace appeared to be no closer. He spoke of Europe as an armed camp and is of the opinion that it was the materialism of recent years which has brought the world to its present condition and until that is rejected, there is danger of a devastating war. What is required is a recovery of spiritual force. And that can only be accomplished by the English-speaking nations.

The invested funds of this Grand Lodge amount to £585,186. There is a Masonic School Fund of £163,270, a Hospital fund of £82,303, and a Benevolent Fund of £88,076, and a War Benevolent Fund of £35,900.

At the Quarterly Communication of September, the Grand Master reported having instituted four new Lodges. During the quarter ending in December five Lodges were instituted, in the first quarter of 1947 two were instituted, and there were five new Lodges formed in the second quarter of 1947, making sixteen in all for the year.

At the Communication in March, 1947, the Grand Master reported that several Lodges had been sending food parcels to brethren in England, and that the letters of acknowledgment had been very appreciative. He stated that the suggestion had been made to him that probably many Lodges would like to send parcels, and he therefore placed the subject before them for consideration.

At each Quarterly Meeting the Grand Master gave a summary of the Lodges visited by him, and his time must have been fully occupied by travelling in order to make the many visits.

A Special Communication was held on June 9th, 1947, for the purpose of receiving nominations for the various offices for the year 1947-48. M.W. Brother Whiddon was nominated as Grand Master for the third year, and was elected at the Quarterly Meeting on June 11th.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported, but no recommendations for recognition were made. It is stated that a great deal of attention is being paid to the Masonic position in Europe, and to material assistance which has been given to re-established Masonry in countries which came under Axis domination. The opinion is expressed that growth will be slow. There is a reference to the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and the subjects there discussed, and it is stated that the question of Negro Freemasonry happily does not apply in Australia. The Masonic Service Association of the United States is said to have done a magnificent work in Europe. The Committee submitted a report on correspondence which consists of a brief review of the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland and Ireland and quotations from the addresses of Grand Masters in several of the jurisdictions in the United States and Canada. The only jurisdiction in Canada which is referred to is the Grand Lodge of Ontario, and the entire address of the Grand Master is quoted. There are references to several general subjects such as clandestine Masonry, Negro Masonry, education and charity.

NEW YORK

167th Annual Communication at New York City, May 4th, 5th and 6th, 1948. Grand Master G. H. Brown. Lodges 1,036. Members 283,497. Gain 10,705. In his address the Grand Master said that he intended to make his address brief and not anticipate the reports of the various committees. Last year the Committee on the Grand Master's Address had praised its brevity and he said that he desired to receive similar commendation this year. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, New Jersey, Virginia, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, Ohio, District of Columbia and the Grand Lodge of Colombia at Bogota.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges but was able to leave the state on only four occasions to visit other Grand Lodges namely Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Ohio and Virginia. In February, 1948, he attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and also the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association and of the Masonic Service Association.

This Grand Lodge has formed the Masonic Foundation for Medical Research and Human Welfare. During the year a committee was formed to raise funds for the Foundation and for Masonic Benevolence. The total raised was \$667,547. The Grand Master said that the amount raised was a demonstration that the Masons in New York believed in Brotherhood.

In referring to conditions in the world today the Grand Master stated that Masonry was on the march in countries where democracy existed but that in totalitarian countries it has been entirely destroyed. He said that he believed he spoke the mind of Masonry in the United States when he said that it was opposed to Communism because Communism is opposed to the tenets of the order . . . The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man and the sanctity of Human Personality.

Representatives from 40 Sister Jurisdictions were present. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to convey the greetings of the Grand Lodge of New York to their respective Jurisdictions. R.W. Brother C. H. Tuttle the representative of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia replied on behalf of all the representatives.

The Committee on Service and Rehabilitation consisting of twenty Members reported on the assistance rendered veterans during the year. The work consisted of hospital visitation, assistance in obtaining employment and housing accommodation and general welfare work. A dormitory operated during the war in the city of New York has been closed. According to the report 137,000 veterans had been accommodated in the dormitory during the years and work was obtained for 1,209 Veterans in the past year.

The Committee on European Relief reported on its use of the appropriation of \$15,000 made by the Grand Lodge in 1945. The Grand Lodges of Finland, Greece, Italy, Norway and Holland had been assisted with shipments of clothing and supplies.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that fraternal relations had been resumed with the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Hungary and with the Grand Orient of Italy. These relations had been cut off by the second world war. The committee stated that the condition of Masonry in countries devastated by war "continues sadly confused".

The review of correspondence is by a committee of which the Chairman is W.M. Brother Townsend Scudder. The review is topical and it is stated that from 45 to 65 Jurisdictions have been reviewed and the work necessary is emphasized. It is said that most striking discovery is the preoccupation of the Fraternity with the problems of International unrest. The world is not at peace and Masonry is naturally troubled because peace is the only soil on which the Fraternity flourishes. There is a very full and interesting statement with respect to the subject of Negro Freemasonry and the controversy which has arisen among several of the states as a result of the action of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in pronouncing Prince

Hall Masonry regular. Last year the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York stated that the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts had "courageously faced the issue" and that the Grand Lodge of New York should face the issue "with forthrightness and candour". There is also a statement as to the "rising tide of Membership" and to the opinion that Lodges are handling the situation better than they did during and after the first world war. The review ends with a statement as to conditions and Membership of various Grand Lodges "under the Union Jack". The review is complete with much important information and will well repay reading by all Masonic students.

NEW ZEALAND

58th Annual Communication at Wellington, November 12th, 1947. Grand Master Charles Flavell. Lodges 326. Members 32,905. Gain 1,808. All the Officers attended and ten Past Grand Masters were present. Nearly all the Lodges were represented. The Board of General Purposes reported that R.W. Brother W. J. Girling, Past Deputy Grand Master, had been nominated for the office of Grand Master. On motion he was elected unanimously.

According to the statement in regard to the Funds and Finances the total investments and assets amount to 273,825 pounds, an increase exceeding 16,000 pounds for the year. Of the total amount the Widows and Orphans and Aged Masons Fund is 235,000 pounds. For the year ending September 30th, 1947, the Board of Benevolence disbursed 1,279 pounds to 19 beneficiaries. The Annuity Board and Board of Management of the Widows and Orphans and Aged Masons Fund disbursed the sum of 8,822 pounds to annuitants. There is also a Special War Benevolent Fund out of which assistance was given in four cases of men who had served in the war.

The Grand Lodge has a Masonic Boys' Home for boys who have lost one or both parents. The Home is not an ordinary orphanage but consists of cottages where boys can be cared for and trained as if they were in their own homes.

The gain in Membership of 1,808 compared with 1,541 for the previous year. Four new Lodges were constituted during the year.

Five scholarships were awarded involving the sum of 180 pounds. There were five previously granted but two expired in 1947; there are therefore eight in force for 1948.

This Grand Lodge has been sending food parcels to Britain and one of the Brethren who was recently in England reported that he had interviewed the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England who expressed his appreciation in the following words: "No words that I can express can convey to the Brethren of New Zealand the gratitude we feel for what you are doing over there."

The Board of General Purposes called attention to the fact that a clandestine Masonic organization known as Co-Masonry is operating in New Zealand. The Board warns the Brethren that they must not attend any meetings of this body as by so doing they would render themselves liable to Masonic discipline.

There is no review of correspondence published in the Proceedings but reviews of the various Jurisdictions are published from time to time in the New Zealand Freemasonry. At the time of the completion of this review the publication containing a review of the Saskatchewan Proceedings had not come to hand.

NORTH DAKOTA

59th Annual Communication at Grand Forks, June 21st, 22nd and 23rd, 1948. Grand Master Verne Wells. Lodges 119. Members 12,929. Gain 638. All the Officers except one attended. The Stars and Stripes and Union Jack were presented and the Brethren joined in singing America and God Save the King. An address of welcome was given by W. Brother Paul R. Owens, the Master of Acacia Lodge No. 4, Grand Forks. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Minnesota, Montana and South Dakota. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present and were cordially welcomed by the Grand Master. The Fifty-Year Masons, for the year, the largest on record, were present and were welcomed as representing faithfulness to certain great fundamental principles. The Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions were welcomed and asked to convey the greetings of Grand Lodge of North Dakota to their respective Jurisdictions.

The Grand Master reported the condition of Masonry as excellent. Most of the Lodges had been very active during the year and financially the Grand Lodge and many of the Lodges are in better condition than for many years. Several Lodges have improved their Temples, one new Temple was dedicated and plans for new buildings are being prepared in four Lodges. The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and also attended the annual meetings of the Grand Lodges of Montana, Minnesota, South Dakota and Manitoba. During the month of October meetings were held in all 25 Districts. The Grand Master attended 15 and the others were attended either by the Deputy Grand Master or the Wardens.

The Grand Master recommended that each Lodge during the year hold a Memorial service for the fraternal dead, that there should be a committee of Grand Lodge to help the Lodges in the matter of youth activities and that there should also be a committee appointed to consider the setting up of a pension plan for the employees of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary in his report furnished a brief review of the growth of the Grand Lodge. M.W. Brother Stockwell has had contact with the Grand Lodge for fifty years and during that time the Lodges have increased from 54 to 129 and with a Membership of 2,535 in 1894-5 increased to 15,470 in 1930 the peak year. Today there are 119 Lodges and a Membership of 12,929. He said that the loss of 10 Lodges and 3,000 Members could not be treated lightly but that numerical strength does not always mean permanency.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother Walter H. Murfin. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very kindly reviewed. There are references to the flag ceremony and to the plans to build a new Grand Lodge building. There is also an expression of regret that on account of Saskatchewan and North Dakota Grand Lodges meeting at the same time, North Dakota could not be represented at the Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

NOVA SCOTIA

83rd Annual Communication at Halifax, June 9th, 1948. Grand Master A. H. McMillan. Lodges 88. Members 11,952. Gain 525. All the Officers attended and 8 Past Grand Masters were present.

Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of New York, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island. Forty Sister Jurisdictions were represented, Saskatchewan being represented by R.W. Brother H. C. Oxley.

The Grand Master referred to the meeting being held at Dalhousie University and stated that the corner stone of the university was laid by a Past Grand Master, M.W. Brother G. J. Pyke.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and also the Conference of Grand Masters of Eastern Canada and Newfoundland at Amherst. Four new Lodges were constituted during the year.

In January, 1947, an appeal was made to raise the sum of \$30,000 for the purpose of erecting a Memorial wing to the Masonic Home. The Grand Master stated that the appeal had not been a success and with the increased cost of material the price would now be double the original estimate. He appealed to the Brethren for support.

The Masonic Home was operated at a small loss. There are 38 residents in the Home. There is an Endowment Fund of \$139,000. In addition there is a Benevolent Fund exceeding \$25,000 from which relief was given amounting to \$1,575. Fifteen persons were assisted outside the Home.

The committee on fraternal relations recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, the Grand Orient of Italy and the Grand Lodge of Uruguay. Requests from several Grand Lodges in Mexico and in Brazil were held for further inquiry.

The review of correspondence is by R.W. Brother A. G. Baillie. In a foreword reference is made to the general increase in Membership and to the increase in the cost of operation of Homes and hospitals. There are also references to the problem of Negro Freemasonry and to the spread of Communism. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very kindly reviewed with references to the flag ceremony, to Lodge attendance and to the Conference of the Western Canadian Jurisdiction in Banff.

OHIO

138th Annual Communication at Cincinnati, October 15th, 16th, 1947. Grand Master W. W. Carlton. Lodges 625. Members 231,500. Gain 11,997. All the Officers attended and eighteen Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Georgia, South Carolina, Philippine Islands, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Kentucky, Canada in Ontario and Quebec. The National Colours were presented and the Brethren joined in the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem. Addresses of welcome were given on behalf of the Masons of the first Masonic District and by the Mayor of Cincinnati. 610 Lodges were represented.

In his address, the Grand Master reported that all Lodges had been inspected during the year and he was impressed by the excellent reports of the inspecting officers. He had requested the D.D.G.M's to report on the physical condition of Lodge halls with respect to

safety and comfort. It was found that many meeting halls were not equipped with emergency exits. Some Lodge rooms were not found inviting and the Grand Master requested the Brethren to look around and see whether the rooms were what they should be.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and referred to the reception given by the President of the United States. At the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association he presented a cheque for \$2,100 on behalf of the Masons in Ohio.

The Grand Master reported a number of inquiries concerning the acceptance of petitions from men who are maimed. Adhering to the interpretation of the ancient charges it had been his uniform reply that under the present law a petition could not be accepted from any man who had lost as much as a finger. As other Jurisdictions had placed a more liberal interpretation on the ancient charges an amendment was prepared signed by all Past Grand Masters and by the Jurisprudence Committee which would permit the Lodges to decide whether a petitioner's physical condition would render him incapable of performing his duties as a Mason and if the Master of the Lodge could not determine the matter he could submit the question to the Grand Master.

In referring to the Membership the Grand Master stated that fifty years ago there were 498 Lodges with a Membership of 41,713 an average of 84 Members to a Lodge; now there are 625 Lodges with a Membership of 231,500 an average of 370 Members to a Lodge. He pointed out that a large Membership in the Lodge means that only a small percentage can take an active part and he stated that many new Lodges were needed. He also spoke of the average attendance; in some of the larger Lodges attendance was below ten percent while in the smaller Lodges it was often over thirty percent.

The cost of operating the Masonic Home for 1947 and 1948 was estimated at \$466,000 and the revenue was estimated at \$403,000. In order to meet the deficit the Board of Trustees authorized the transfer of \$50,000 from the Reserve Fund. Large expenditures are needed for alterations and repairs and steps are being taken to provide the necessary money.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported reviews of 42 Sister Jurisdictions. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1946 are very kindly reviewed. There are references to the Flag Ceremony and the singing of the National Anthem and the Star Spangled Banner. Reference is also made to the meeting of the Four Western Canadian Jurisdictions in Banff.

OHIO

139th Annual Communication at Columbus, October 20th and 21st, 1948. Grand Master R. A. Younger. Lodges 625. Members 240,891. Gain 9,391. There was a full attendance of the Officers and 18 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Michigan, Illinois, Maryland, New Jersey, Indiana, Tennessee, Virginia and the Philippine Islands. The national flag was presented and the Brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance and the National Anthem. 613 Lodges were represented. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and those present were welcomed by the Grand Master.

M.W. Brother Earl Stewart, Grand Master in 1925, passed away during the year. He had been foreign correspondent for many years. The Grand Master paid tribute to him, referring to his excellent service as Grand Master and his splendid reviews.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and in reporting referred to some of the subjects there discussed, Freemasonry and Communism, Freemasonry and Youth and Freemasonry in Italy. At the meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association he presented a cheque for \$4,500 on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. He visited nine Sister Jurisdictions in Annual Communication among them the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario meeting in the city of Toronto. He attended in all 161 meetings during the year and travelled 31,000 miles partly by train and partly by automobile.

The Grand Master issued Dispensations for three new Lodges. He is of the opinion that a great need exists for more Lodges especially in the suburban areas of the larger cities. On the recommendation of the Committee on New Temples he approved the applications of 21 Lodges involving expenditure for new temples or for repairs.

The Grand Master attended the last three Annual Meetings of the Masonic Service Association as a guest as the Grand Lodge of Ohio is not a Member. He was much impressed with the work of the Association in Europe and with its work for veterans in government hospitals. He recommended the appointment of a Committee to study the work of the Association and report on the question of Membership at the next Annual Meeting.

The Grand Master referred at length to Communism. He quoted from letters he had received from persons in Europe and concluded that Communism did not permit Masonry to exist.

In reporting on the Membership the Grand Secretary stated that the Annual Return of every Lodge was received and the dues were paid in full by all Lodges. In commenting upon suspensions he said that no Member should be suspended for non-payment of dues unless some officer or Member visited him.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge Rio do Sul, Brazil. Requests for recognition from the Grand Lodge Minas Gerais, Brazil, and the Grand Lodge of Uruguay were held for further consideration.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother C. W. Ellenwood. A table of Membership in the United States is presented showing the total of 3,239,461, a gain for the year of 188,827. All Grand Lodges in the United States reported gains except the York Grand Lodge of Mexico where a loss of two was reported in a Membership of 600. Reference is made to the caution being exercised in extending recognition particularly to Grand Lodges in Europe and South America. As to physical qualifications it is stated that the tendency is towards a more liberal attitude. As to Negro Freemasonry the reviewer expressed the opinion that the subject is receiving too much attention and that there is no reason to be disturbed. Seventy-six Jurisdictions are reviewed among them the Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947. Reference is made to the flag ceremony and to the Membership. The writer congratulates M.W. Brother Ellenwood on his reviews and especially on his introduction which covers a great number of matters in a most informative manner.

OKLAHOMA

40th Annual Communication at Guthrie, February 10th, 11th, and 12th, 1948. Grand Master D. E. McCroskey. Lodges 382. Members 66,478. Gain 4,213. While this was the 40th annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma it was the 75th Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory and the 56th of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma Territory. All the Officers attended and 18 Past Grand Masters were present. After the opening ceremony the flag was presented and the Brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance and in singing the National Anthem. The Representatives of 62 Sister Jurisdictions were present, Saskatchewan being represented by Brother W. E. Goode. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to convey the good wishes of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma to their respective Jurisdictions. The Grand Masters present were also welcomed by the Grand Master who stated that he appreciated the help that they had given him during his year in office.

The Grand Master reported that in performing his duties of office he had travelled 50,000 miles to all parts of the State and that he had visited all 40 Districts and attended more than 200 meetings.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of M.W. Brother O. L. Conner, Grand Master in 1919. In his address the Grand Master paid tribute to the services rendered by this distinguished Brother and the memorial to him is contained in the Proceedings. Dispensations were granted for the formation of two new Lodges. Special Communications were held for the purpose of laying the cornerstones of three Masonic Temples and of a church and a school.

Referring to the finances the Grand Master stated that all were justly proud of the excellent condition of Grand Lodge. An era of prosperity has been enjoyed which has raised the income of Grand Lodge to unprecedented heights. He stated however that the increased costs of operating the Homes made it necessary to exercise care in expenditure.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported all Jurisdictions in the United States represented as well as seven in Canada. He reported the conference helpful and stated that much valuable information was obtained. He also attended the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association and presented a cheque of \$4,000 on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

In his report the Grand Secretary stated that two Lodges had a Membership of more than 2,500. One Lodge had a Membership of 1,600 and 24 had more than 500; that some of the larger Lodges had a remarkable increase in Members while some of the smaller Lodges had no increase. The Membership indicated a constant move from the smaller towns and country to the larger cities.

This Grand Lodge has two Masonic Homes, one for the aged and one for children. The Home for aged is filled to capacity with 104 residents; in the Home for children there are 24 residents. The cost of operation of the two homes is about \$85,000. The sum of \$93,000 was appropriated for operation during the current year.

The committee on fraternal relations recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodges of Minas Gerais, Ceara and Sao Paulo all in Brazil, the Grand Lodge of Venezuela and the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands. As to applications from the Grand Orient of Belgium and the Syrian Lebanese Grand Lodge the committee advised that they be held for further inquiry.

The review of the proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions is by a committee of which Brother William Hutchinson is chairman. The proceedings of 42 Jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1946. There are references to the flag ceremony when both the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes were presented and which is stated as being "very impressive". There are also references to the increased Membership and to the death of R.W. Brother J. H. G. Russell, the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and a Honourary Member of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

OREGON

98th Annual Communication at Portland, July 16th, 17th and 18th, 1948. Grand Master W. M. Ransom. Lodges 182. Members 35,074. Gain 2,068. All the Officers attended and eighteen Past Grand Masters were present. The flags of the United States and Canada were presented, the National Anthem was sung and the pledge of allegiance was given. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of California and Idaho. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and fifty-three responded. Saskatchewan was represented by Brother I. W. Hope.

The Grand Master spent a very active year having visited 107 Lodges in all parts of the State. He also attended all thirty-one District Meetings. He was present at the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He reported that the sum of \$240,000 was contributed at the meeting towards the completion of the Memorial. The Grand Lodge of Oregon has contributed its full quota. The Memorial has cost \$5,000,000 to the present time and it is estimated that another million is necessary for its completion.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of the Four Western Canadian Jurisdictions at Banff where two days were spent in discussing Masonic subjects. Grand Masters from Illinois, North Dakota, Montana, Wyoming and Idaho were also present.

The Grand Lodge mourned the passing of two Past Grand Masters, M.W. Brother Earl W. Snell who was Governor of the State at the time of his death and M.W. Brother William C. Bristol. The proceedings contain tributes to these distinguished Brothers.

In referring to the Masonic Home the Grand Master said that since the passing of the Social Security Act the old people in the State are entitled to relief according to their need and that there no longer exists the same type of charity for which the home was established. He suggested that all Master Masons or their widows should be allowed to enter the home on paying a sum set by the Home Board and whether the applicant derives his income from welfare assistance or from his own resources.

In referring to the report of the affairs of Foreign Jurisdictions the Grand Master stated that a new method was being adopted namely that of a topical review in short form which it is felt will be beneficial to the officers of the Lodges.

Five Occasional Communications were held during the year, two for the purpose of constituting new Lodges, two to install Grand Lodge Officers and one to lay the Corner Stone of a school.

The Grand Secretary reported the assets including all funds as exceeding \$2,000,000. There was expended on charity the sum of \$84,000 of which \$72,000 was spent in operating the Masonic Home.

The review of correspondence is by Brother Charles S. Weeks. In referring to the change in the form of the review it is stated that the shortening of it should result in wider reading of it. Brother Weeks was appointed late in the fall of 1947 and it was suggested to him by the Grand Master that the topical style might be worthy of consideration. The review deals with many interesting subjects, among them education, Negro Freemasonry, Co-Masonry and attendance.

The proceedings contain membership statistics for the United States and Canada. The membership in the United States is placed at 3,284,068, an increase of 181,993 for the year. For Canada the membership is stated to be 203,259, an increase of 8,953. The membership in the United States in 1943 is said to have been 2,477,351. This figure when compared with the membership in 1948 indicates a gain of about 800,000 in five years. If the increase continues the membership in the United States will soon exceed what it was at the peak before the depression.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

72nd Annual Communication at Charlottetown, June 25th, 1947. Grand Master R. E. Kemp. Lodges 15. Members 1,149. Gain 24. All the Officers attended and 13 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodge of Colorado. The Representatives of 34 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to convey the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island to their respective Jurisdictions.

In his address, the Grand Master made reference to the death of King Christian of Denmark who was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Denmark for many years. He also referred to the death of the Earl of Harewood, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. Fraternal sympathy was cabled to the United Grand Lodge of England, and also to the Grand Lodge of Denmark.

The Grand Master visited every Lodge in the Jurisdiction. Shortly after his election, he wrote every Lodge, asking them what form of meeting they wanted for his official visit. In the communication he made some suggestions for the meetings, among them, an open forum for discussion and the conferring of a Degree.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of the Grand Lodges of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, at Moncton, in July, 1946. Out of this meeting arose the idea for a Conference of the Grand Lodges of the Maritimes and Newfoundland. This Conference was held at Moncton in October, 1946, and the Grand Master was much impressed by the results achieved. He also attended the Conference of the Grand Lodges of Canada and Newfoundland, at Montebello, Quebec, in February, 1947. Every Grand Lodge in Canada was represented. The Grand Master expressed his pleasure at attending this, the first meeting of its kind in Canada.

The finances are in a sound position. The Trustees of the Benevolent Fund and the Orphans' Fund, report a satisfactory year, with few applications for assistance. The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that fraternal relations be established with the Grand Lodges of Denmark, The Netherlands and Norway. The retirement of General Sir Francis Davies, the Deputy Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, is mentioned.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

73rd Annual Communication at Charlottetown, June 23rd, 1948. Grand Master Rev. W. A. MacQuarrie. Lodges 15. Members 1,188. Gain 59. A Special Communication was held at Kensington on June 5th, 1948, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of V.W. Brother Robert S. Douglas, the Grand Tyler. Tribute was paid by the Grand Master to the untiring work of the deceased who had served Grand Lodge for thirty years.

All the officers attended the annual meeting and thirteen Past Grand Masters were present. The Representatives of forty-four Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance and were welcomed by the Grand Master who asked them to extend the fraternal greetings of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island to their respective Jurisdictions. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodge of Maine.

In his address the Grand Master referred to the critical times economically and internationally. He referred to serious conditions in Germany, Korea, China and Palestine and expressed the hope that the forces of sanity and goodwill will succeed in organizing the powers of peace.

The Grand Master reported a successful year throughout the Jurisdiction with a healthy growth of the Lodges.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the granting of the Charter to St. John's Lodge No. 1, Charlottetown. This was a landmark in Masonic history for the granting of the Charter meant the establishment of Masonry in Prince Edward Island.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington having been urged to attend from several quarters and chiefly by the Grand Master of Nova Scotia. He reported a kindly welcome and a happy experience. He also attended the Conference of the Grand Lodges of Eastern Canada and Newfoundland at Amherst where splendid papers were delivered on Masonic subjects.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Sweden, the Grand Lodge of Colombia at Barranquilla and the Grand Lodge of Uruguay. Applications for recognition from the Grand Lodges of Ceara, Minas Gerais and Rio Grande do Sul, all in Brazil, were held for future consideration.

QUEBEC

77th Annual Communication at Montreal, October 8th, 1947. Grand Master L. H. Boyd. Lodges 94. Members 15,683. Gain 761. A special communication was held in Montreal on October 8th prior to the annual meeting for the purpose of explaining the various amendments to the Constitution which would be dealt with at the annual meeting. The proposed scheme for finishing the Memorial Hall which involved a campaign to raise between 60,000 and 75,000 dollars was also discussed.

All the officers attended the annual meeting and nine Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of forty Sister Jurisdictions attended, Saskatchewan being represented by R.W. Brother E. L. Francois. All the Lodges except three were represented. After

the opening ceremony the Brethren joined in singing the National Anthem.

In his address the Grand Master spoke of the disturbing uncertainty which hangs over the world. For two years the world has hoped for peace but the nations have been meeting at Lake Success for many months and there is an open cleavage between the East and the West. The whole atmosphere is filled with suspicion and mistrust. All should exert their influence to help to put into practice the principles of brotherly love and right, in order that peace may once more be brought about.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington. He reported all Canadian Grand Lodges represented and referred to the subjects discussed, among them assimilating wartime Masons, Lodge attendance, physical qualifications and Negro Freemasonry. The Grand Master found the Conference interesting and instructive and attended the reception at the White House given by the President of the United States.

The report of the Conference of the Canadian Jurisdiction and Newfoundland at Montebello, Quebec, was given by the Grand Master. He stated that the ground work had been laid for the purpose of co-ordinating the work of the Grand Lodges and that the next conference would be called in 1949.

The Grand Master dealt at length with the subject of Masonic Education, stating that he viewed with concern the large number of Initiates as he felt sure that they cannot obtain a proper grasp of the principles of the Institution. He expressed the opinion that new Members should be given some supervision and direction in order that they may be properly informed, thus adding to their interest and preventing requests for demits and suspension for non-payment of dues.

The Grand Master was critical of inviting guest speakers who are not Members and is of the opinion that there are sufficient skilled Members who could be asked to give short addresses.

In reporting on the Membership the Grand Secretary stated that in another year the total would likely be higher than at the time of the peak in 1930. He commented upon the decrease in suspensions. Eighty-two Lodges reported increases in Membership, four remained stationary and eight showed losses totalling thirteen.

The Proceedings are reported in two parts. The second part contains detail in regard to each Lodge with a list of P.M.'s and a table setting out the Past Grand Masters since the beginning in 1869. There is also a list of Grand Lodges with which the Grand Lodge of Quebec is in fraternal relations.

A review of the Proceedings of a number of Jurisdictions is contained in the second part of the report. Among them appear the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan for 1947. There is a reference to the flag ceremony and the singing of the National Anthem and the Star Spangled Banner. The remarks of the Grand Master in regard to the conference of the Grand Lodges of Canada and Newfoundland and also the conference of the Western Canadian Jurisdictions are referred to. The report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry is noted as is the ruling of the Grand Master limiting the use of Lodge funds to Masonic purposes.

QUEENSLAND

Grand Master E. A. Jones. Lodges 394. Members 25,148. Gain 1,635. A Special Communication was held at Brisbane on the 23rd day of July, 1947, for the purpose of proclaiming the Grand Master who had been elected at the quarterly meeting in June. The Grand Master entered his second year of office and he stated that the past year had been an exacting one but that he had been encouraged by the expressions of loyalty wherever he had gone.

At the quarterly meeting in September, 1947, the Grand Lodge officers were invested. The Board of Aged Masons, Widows and Orphans Fund reported that owing to the shortage of building material it had not been possible to make any progress with the addition to the Home. There are fifteen Brethren in residence at the Home and several are seeking admission. Assistance was also given during the year to thirty-six Brethren, sixty-seven widows and forty-eight children.

A Special Communication was held at Brisbane on November 26th, 1947, for the purpose of receiving the history of the Grand Lodge of Queensland prepared by R.W. Brother G. M. Colledge. The Grand Lodge was formed in 1921 and in 1946 celebrated its Silver Jubilee. R.W. Brother Colledge who was then President of the Board of General Purposes undertook the task of writing a history. The Grand Master expressed gratitude to Brother Colledge for his work. Brother Colledge then presented his review of events which is published in full and must be of great interest to the Masons of Queensland. It is of interest to know that the first Lodge formed in Queensland was in 1859, then followed two in 1861 and one in 1862, all four under the English Constitution.

At the quarterly meeting in March the Board of Benevolence reported that progress had been made in the building of the addition to the Masonic Home and that it should soon be possible to announce a date for the opening. It was also announced that it had been arranged with a Brother clergyman to make regular visits to sick Brethren in Hospitals.

At the quarterly meeting in June, M.W. Brother E. A. Jones was again chosen Grand Master. In nominating him the Deputy Grand Master stated that his work had been an inspiration to every Mason and that he at all times had contributed his very best in the performance of his duties.

There is no review of correspondence published.

RHODE ISLAND

157th Annual Communication at Providence, May 17th, 1948. Grand Master J. B. Littlefield. Lodges 43. Members 16,153. Gain 603. A Special Communication was held in September, 1947, for the purpose of installing the officers who were not present at the time of the annual meeting in May, 1947.

The Semi-Annual Communication was held in November, 1947. The Grand Master in his address appealed to the Brethren for Christmas gifts for veterans in hospitals and also for support of the work of the Masonic Service Association. He also referred to Negro Freemasonry and to the three Negro Lodges in Rhode Island with 350 Members. He quoted Albert Pike as follows:

"Prince Hall Lodge was as regular a Lodge as any Lodge created by competent authority and had a perfect right to establish other Lodges making itself a Mother Lodge." He proposed a committee consisting of all Past Grand Masters to submit a report on the subject at the next meeting.

At the annual meeting in May, 1948, the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Brother E. L. Lockwood, presided. The Grand Master, M.W. Brother J. B. Littlefield, passed away on December 3rd, 1947. The acting Grand Master paid tribute, stating that Grand Lodge had suffered a great loss by the removal of the Grand Master. The proceedings contain a memorial setting forth the service he had rendered both as a Mason and citizen.

Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Virginia, New Jersey, Maryland, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Vermont, Delaware and the District of Columbia.

The acting Grand Master in his address referred to the condition of the Craft stating that it was most satisfactory and that numbers were increasing but he added that numbers do not necessarily make a healthy Fraternity. He referred to his attendance at the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and to the subjects there discussed. He attended the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association and presented a cheque for \$2,000.00 on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

The Grand Secretary reported 61 requests from various Grand Lodges to confer degrees upon candidates by courtesy. He also reported that on behalf of the Grand Lodge he had requested other Jurisdictions to confer degrees by courtesy on 27 candidates.

The committee on foreign correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy and to the Grand Lodge of Colombia at Barranquilla. Applications from the Grand Lodges of Ceara, Rio Grande do Sul and Minas Gerais were deferred as were applications from the Grand Lodges of Hungary and Uruguay.

SCOTLAND

At a Quarterly Communication on November 6th, 1947, the Earl of Galloway was unanimously elected Grand Master. He thanked the Brethren for electing him for another year and stated that he would do what he could to promote the welfare of the Institution.

The Installation of the Grand Master and the other Officers was conducted by the Past Grand Master, John Christie Stewart, who, after the Installation extended congratulations to the Grand Master and stated that when he was appointed two years ago it was the hope that within a year or so there would be a turn for the better in the affairs of the country and that the strain of the war years would be diminished. Unfortunately that has not happened and on account of austerity the usual St. Andrew's Banquet could not be held. He expressed appreciation of the work done by the Earl of Galloway in two years of office and said that his election for the third year was proof of the satisfactory manner in which he had carried out his duties.

The Grand Master thanked the Brethren for the great honour conferred upon him by his election for the third year; he said he was deeply conscious of the great responsibility and would do his best

to fulfil the duties of the office. He referred to the Membership, stating that the number of initiations in 1947 was less than in 1946. The invested funds have increased and now amount to £881,000. The Benevolent Fund expended £14,000 in annuities during the year.

The Grand Master referred to the marriage of the Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh and to the gift sent by the Grand Lodge of Scotland which was gratefully acknowledged by the Princess. He also referred to the loss sustained by the Grand Lodge of England in the death of the Earl of Harewood and spoke of the appointment of the Duke of Devonshire as his successor. The Grand Lodge is engaged in a campaign to raise £100,000 in order to provide homes for elderly or infirm Brethren and their dependents. The sum of £10,000 has already been subscribed.

The Grand Master acknowledges with gratitude the food parcels from abroad. He particularly mentioned gifts from Manitoba, Ontario, Melbourne, Rhodesia, New Zealand and Australia. Michigan and the Supreme Council of the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States have also sent parcels. The Grand Master said that he was sure that he was expressing the opinion of all when he stressed the comfort which is derived from these kindly actions of friends in the Dominions and in the United States during the difficult times through which the country is passing.

SCOTLAND

Grand Master The Earl of Galloway.

At the Quarterly Communication on February 5th, 1948, the Grand Master presided. After the opening Ceremony he made sympathetic reference to the death, on January 24th, 1948, of Brother Joseph Hamilton, the District Grand Master of Natal. He also referred to the illness of the Grand Secretary, Brother W. King Gillies, and expressed hope for his speedy recovery. In the place of Bro. Gillies, Bro. Alexander F. Buchan was appointed Grand Secretary. The Provincial Grand Masters of Glasgow and East Lothian, were installed.

The Grand Committee reported a request from a Member stating that he was compiling a book, referred to by him as a ritual, which he intended to publish, and requested permission to add thereto, schedules of questions in connection with the admission of Candidates. The Committee ruled that permission should not be granted as the Grand Lodge of Scotland does not recognize any books or writings except such as may be published by the Grand Secretary, under authority of the Grand Lodge. Moreover, no Member is permitted, in his capacity as a Freemason, to engage in the compilation or publication of any books or writings which are not published under the authority of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master welcomed the new Grand Secretary and expressed the hope that he would be happy in his work.

At a meeting of the Grand Committee, the Earl of Stair, Past Grand Master, spoke of his recent visit to South Africa and expressed appreciation of the hospitality which he had received from the Lodges visited.

He reported that he had attended the funeral of Bro. Joseph Hamilton, the District Grand Master of Natal.

At the Quarterly Communication in August, 1948, the Grand Secretary read the address which was presented to Their Majesties the King and Queen on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary. An acknowledgment of the address was also read.

The Grand Master informed the Brethren that on June 29th, 1948, Their Majesties received a deputation of Masons at Holywood Palace when a silver wedding gift was presented to them. This presentation was acknowledged by the King in a letter sent the Grand Master on the following day.

The Grand Master of Scottish Masonry in India, Sir Ivan Hope Taunton, was present and delivered an address. He stated that the Masonic province of India now includes the Dominion of Pakistan where there are several flourishing Scottish Lodges. He also spoke of the mass exchange of populations caused by the partition of India and the suffering and misery resulting. An address was also given by a Brother who had recently returned from Palestine. He stated that it had been very difficult for some time for Masonry to make any progress in Palestine; for several months it had been almost impossible to hold meetings, especially in places where the population is mixed such as is the case in Haifa and Jerusalem.

SOUTH CAROLINA

211th Annual Communication at Columbia, March 10th and 11th, 1948. Grand Master A. J. M. Wannamaker. Members 36,222. Gain 3,258. Nine special communications were held during the year, five for the purpose of constituting Lodges, three to dedicate Lodge halls and one for the purpose of conducting a religious service. The Mayor of Columbia, Brother F. C. Owens, extended a welcome at the Annual Communication and the Governor of South Carolina, Brother J. S. Thurmond, delivered an address in which he invited the Brethren to visit government house.

The Grand Master reported that splendid work had been done by the Lodges during the year and that the Lodges generally were in a healthy condition; the attendance at Lodge and District Meetings indicated the interest and enthusiasm which prevailed. He stated that the year had been a banner one in the field of Masonic education and that the Masonic Service Committee had rendered a splendid service in the discrimination of information. Each Initiate was sent a personal letter by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of North Carolina, Ohio and Canada in Ontario. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters and the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He stated that enthusiasm was evidenced by the large donations contributed and said that South Carolina must continue to do its full part towards the completion of the Memorial. He also attended the annual meeting of the Masonic Service Association and said that it was a clearing house for the Fraternity and enabled it to do its part at a time of national crisis.

It is the intention of this Grand Lodge to erect a Memorial Masonic Temple at Charleston at an estimated cost of \$600,000 and the Grand Master suggested that appropriate plans for the raising of funds be made.

Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of North Carolina and Georgia. A reception was accorded the Past Grand Masters

present. The Grand Master welcomed them and expressed his gratitude to them for their continued interest. The Masonic Temple Building Committee reported the amount on hand for building was about \$225,000 but they stated that prevailing cost for land and building were excessive and recommended that plans be made for the raising of funds but that the actual building be deferred until more favourable conditions prevailed. The Committee on Fraternal Relations recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, the Grand Lodge of Uruguay and the Grand Lodges of Minas Gerais, Sao Paula and Ceara in Brazil. The review of correspondence was presented by M.W. Brother Henry F. Collins. This is his 14th review. Sixty-nine Jurisdictions were reviewed, among them the Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947. There are references to the flag ceremony, to Masonic education and to the Christmas message sent to the Lodges by the Grand Master.

SOUTH DAKOTA

74th Annual Communication at Mitchell, June 8th and 9th, 1948. Grand Master R. W. Twamley. Lodges 168. Members 17,387. Gain 773. This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of three Past Grand Masters during the year, M.W. Brother W. F. Sargent, M.W. Brother George Philip and M.W. Brother A. C. Kingsbury. Emergent Communications were held for the purpose of conducting the funeral services and the Grand Master in his address paid tribute to their memory and the services rendered by them. There was also an Emergent Communication for the purpose of dedicating the new Temple of Alcester Lodge No. 115.

All the officers attended the annual meeting and 15 Past Grand Masters were present. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and 29 responded. Some of them read letters from those who represented South Dakota in other Jurisdictions. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of North Dakota, Minnesota, Wyoming, Montana and Kansas.

In his address the Grand Master said that an attempt was being made to subordinate the individual to the State. He is of the opinion that such a condition strangles individual action and makes no difference between the efficient and the incompetent and between the industrious and indolent. Masonry's plan is for a man to work out his dream for a richer, happier and more useful life.

The Grand Master visited all of the 28 Districts in the State. He thanked the District Deputies for making the meetings a real success and spoke of the hospitality at all meetings. He also visited many of the Lodges and attended the annual meetings of the Grand Lodges of North Dakota, Wyoming, Illinois and Minnesota.

The committee on foreign correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodges of Minas Gerais and Sao Paulo in Brazil, the Grand Orient of Italy and 14 Grand Lodges in the Mexican State. Recognition however was denied to the Grand Lodge of Denmark, the Grand Lodge of Yugoslavia, the Hungarian Symbolic Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge Rio Grande do Sul.

The foreign correspondent, Brother David Graham, presented a short topical review. He states that the reviews of each Jurisdiction are still the most popular type. Lack of funds has prevented the

publication of the reviews in South Dakota except the very brief report he presented. Brother Graham however in his short review covers much of great interest. Reference is made to the higher bodies and their activities in soliciting Members. There is also a lengthy reference to Negro Freemasonry and the discussion taking place in respect to it. The reviewer however states that the question is outside his sphere of interest as there are no Negro Lodges in South Dakota.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Grand Master Mr. Justice G. C. Ligertwood. Lodges 167. Members 18,436. Gain 1,250. The half-yearly communication was held on October 15th, 1947. It was reported that the annual returns for the year ended June 30th, 1947, disclosed the largest Membership ever attained in the Jurisdiction. Two Lodges were constituted since the last meeting.

All the officers attended the half-yearly meeting and thirty-four Sister Jurisdictions were represented. Grand Lodge was opened with the singing of the National Anthem. In his address the Grand Master referred to the death of M.W. Brother Frank Whiddon, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales. He stated that he had a long Masonic career and in addition was a public minded citizen who took a prominent part in many national organizations.

The Grand Master referred to the Sixth Australasian Conference held in Melbourne during March, 1947. A summary of the recommendations of the Conference appears in the Proceedings. Among the recommendations appear the desirability of uniformity in modes of recognition, limitation of Membership so as to prevent Lodges from becoming so large in number as to imperil fraternal fellowship, the best methods for Freemasonry to promote peace and goodwill in the world today and the preparation of plans for Masonic Education.

The Annual Communication was held at Adelaide on April 21st, 1948. The Board of General Purposes reported ten meetings during the year and the constitution of three Lodges. It was also reported that there was standing to the credit of the various Lodges a sum exceeding £105,000. The Benevolent Fund exceeded £31,000 and the Widows and Orphans Fund is approximately £36,000. During 1947 there was distributed in grants for relief the sum of £2,328.

The Deputy Grand Master announced that the only nomination received for office of Grand Master was that of Mr. Justice G. C. Ligertwood and he was declared unanimously elected. The Grand Master thanked the Brethren for the honour conferred upon him and spoke of the privilege of being Head of the Order in South Australia. He made reference to the installation by His Majesty the King of the Duke of Devonshire as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of Eng and and added that in every age monarchs have been promoters of the art of Masonry. The Grand Master also referred to the need of maintaining the principles on which Masonry is founded, stating that if all live up to these principles an abiding influence will be extended upon the life of the community.

The review of Proceedings is by various Members of Grand Lodge. Many Jurisdictions are reviewed but Saskatchewan is not among them because at the time the reviews were prepared the Proceedings had not been received.

TEXAS

112th Annual Communication at Waco, December 2nd and 3rd, 1947. Grand Master R. B. Brannon. Lodges 890. Members 169,469. Gain 15,786.

Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of conducting the Funeral services of M.W. Bro. Frank Hartgraves and M.W. Bro. Joseph J. Mansfield, Past Grand Masters. There were also 2 special Meetings for the purpose of Laying Corner Stones of new Masonic Halls, and one for the purpose of Laying the Corner Stone of a Memorial Hospital.

On the evening prior to the opening of Grand Lodge, the Brethren gathered at the new Grand Lodge Memorial Temple for the purpose of Dedicating it. The Temple was donated to the Grand Lodge in December, 1946, by the Brethren of Waco and district.

All the Officers attended the Annual Meeting, and 19 Past Grand Masters were present. They were welcomed by the Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Leo Hart, on their behalf, said that all were exceedingly happy to be present and he thanked the Grand Master for the welcome extended. 375 Lodges were represented.

In opening his address, the Grand Master said that they had been richly blessed in Texas—one of the most abundantly blessed States. The world had recently experienced one of the most horrible wars man had ever known; loss had been great in the State, but measured by the loss in other Nations, had been comparatively light. The world is far from settled and mankind still suffers from the tyranny of the dictator; intolerance, hatred and insane ambition are still abroad. Freedom loving people must not be blind to the forces now at work.

The Grand Master paid tribute to the Past Grand Masters who died during the year, M.W. Bro. Joseph J. Mansfield and M.W. Bro. Frank Hartgraves (who died as a result of a collision while driving his automobile; his wife was killed instantly).

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the Texas City disaster which occurred in April, 1947. Explosions and resulting fires took thousands of lives. Lodges and individual Masons sent the Grand Master the sum of \$21,779 for the assistance and relief of Masons and their families, in the stricken areas. On May 28th a memorial service was held in Texas City by the Masons of Texas, with the Grand Master present.

The Grand Master reported that he had passed upon the physical defects of Candidates where he thought they were duly qualified. In many cases he consulted the District Deputies and in some instances he personally examined the Candidate. He granted 350 such requests and refused 39. Much writing of letters was involved and the Grand Master expressed the opinion that some new method should be found for dealing with such cases.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, the Grand Lodge of Uruguay, the Grand Lodges of Ceara, Sao Paulo and Minas Gerais (all in Brazil), and the Grand Lodge of Syria and Lebanon at Beirut. The Committee stated that each of these Grand Lodges conformed to all the standards of recognition and had been recognized by several Grand Lodges in the United States.

In the Masonic Home and School there were 134 children, at the end of the year. There is an Endowment Fund exceeding \$2,000,000.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Bro. W. M. Weatherred, Past Grand Master. 62 Jurisdictions are reviewed. In a foreword, reference is made to the harmony existing among the various Jurisdictions. The Saskatchewan Proceedings are not reviewed, no doubt because they were not available in time to be included.

UTAH

76th Annual Communication at Salt Lake City, January 26th and 27th, 1948. Lodges 27. Member 5,478. Gain 215. All the officers attended and 19 Past Grand Masters were present. The United States flag was presented and the Brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance. All the Lodges were represented and visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Colorado, Nevada and Wyoming.

The Grand Master reported the year as one of great Masonic progress. Referring to the membership he said that every Lodge but eight reported an increase. In speaking of the gain in numbers in all Jurisdictions he stated that care should be taken in selecting applicants and every effort made to assimilate initiates. As to the heavy losses during the depression he expressed the opinion that it was chiefly a financial problem and partly due to failure in assimilating and properly instructing new Members. The Grand Master visited every Lodge in the Jurisdiction. One new Lodge was dedicated.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported all Jurisdictions in the United States represented as well as seven in Canada. At the meeting of the Masonic Service Association he presented a cheque for \$500 to be used for the Hospital Visitation work.

A special committee on Fraternal Relations was appointed by the Grand Master for the purpose of making a special study of applications for recognition from European and Latin American Lodges.

The Grand Secretary reported the financial conditions of the Lodges as good. The net worth of the Lodges showed an increase of \$20,000 over the previous year.

The committee on Foreign Relations recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy and to the Grand Lodge of Colombia at Barranquilla. Applications from the Grand Lodge of Uruguay and the Grand Lodge Minas Gerais, Brazil, were held for further information.

The review of correspondence is by Brother E. G. Titus. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very fully reviewed. There is a reference to attendance of the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary at the Conference of Grand Masters in Washington. The ruling of the Grand Master that Lodge funds should be used only for Masonic purposes is commented upon with the statement that "the good of all is greater than the letter of the law; Masonry should not hold itself aloof and above its fellow men and certainly not in benevolence". The work of the committee on Masonic Education is favourably mentioned and the review of this writer receives a complimentary reference for which we thank Brother Titus.

VERMONT

155th Annual Communication at Burlington, June 9th and 10th, 1948. Grand Master J. H. Stacey. Lodges 103. Members 18,093. Gain 474. There were two Emergent Communications during the year both for the purpose of dedicating new Masonic Temples.

All the officers attended the Annual Meeting and six Past Grand Masters were present. They were welcomed by the Grand Master who expressed appreciation of the service rendered by them throughout the year. The national flag was presented and the Brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance and in the National Anthem. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Quebec, Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, New York, Virginia, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania. The Governor of the State, Brother Ernest W. Gibson, was received and delivered a brief address. 101 Lodges were represented.

Representatives of forty-four Sister Jurisdictions were present, Saskatchewan being represented by Brother J. C. Thomas. They were welcomed by the Grand Master who impressed upon them the importance of the office.

The Grand Master in referring to the increase in Membership said that success cannot be measured by increase in numbers. Masons must do their part in making the world a better place in which to live otherwise Masonry cannot justify its existence.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and attended all District Meetings. He referred with pride to a special meeting of his own Lodge, Vermont No. 18, held at Windsor on the evening of April 3rd, when a Degree Team composed of Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police from the province of Ontario was present and exemplified a degree. The meeting was the largest gathering of Masons ever held in Vermont, the attendance exceeding 2,000.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters in Washington and reported the largest Conference ever held. He is of the opinion that the Conference does much in promoting unity among the Fraternity. Vermont was honoured by the choosing of its Grand Master as chairman of the Conference.

The Grand Master recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy which has already been recognized by several Jurisdictions including Massachusetts. A representative of the Grand Orient attended the Conference of Grand Masters seeking the moral support of Grand Lodges in America.

The finances are in a sound position. There is a Charity Fund of about \$130,000. Total income including the per capita tax was \$8,469 and disbursements exceeded \$13,000. There was therefore a substantial deficit in the operations of the Charity Fund for the year and this was caused by reimbursing the town of Benson for maintaining a Mason who had been a helpless paralytic for years, the local Lodge having been unable to assume the burden.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodges of Uruguay, Minas Gerais in Brazil and the Grand Orient of Italy. An application from the Grand Lodge Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, was held for further information.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother Aaron H. Grout. In a foreword the reviewer comments upon the increase in Mem-

bership and upon the generous response of American Masonry to the call of distress from foreign lands. The doctrine of physical perfection is referred to with the statement that a few more Jurisdictions have joined the ranks of those which put the inner qualifications of a man above the outer. Sixty-five Jurisdictions are reviewed among them Saskatchewan for 1947. There is comment on the ruling that Lodges cannot spend their money for other than Masonic purposes. The ruling is characterized as "rather strict". There is also a reference to the importance attached to Masonic education and to the record of attendance particularly in the country Lodges. The reviews of Brother Grout are excellent and furnish instructive reading.

VICTORIA (Australia)

Grand Master R. A. Rowe. Lodges 602. Members on December 31st, 1946, 73,025. Gain 5,298.

Quarterly Communications were held in March, June, September and December, 1947.

At the Quarterly Meeting in March, the Board of General Purposes reported the award of 25 scholarships, from 40 to 50 pounds each. These Scholarships are awarded on the basis of results of school examinations and are much appreciated by students and parents. The Board of Benevolence reported dealing with 22 cases and making grants amounting to £1,067. During the year 1947, the Board paid in grants an amount approximating £6,000. There is a Benevolent Fund exceeding £268,000. The total in all funds exceeds £537,000.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. R. A. Rowe, was installed at the Quarterly Meeting in March.

The report of the Grand Secretary, for the year ending December 31st, 1946, contains much interesting statistical information. The Grand Lodge was formed in 1889 with about 7,000 Members. In 1905 there were 9,426 Members. There was an increase every year until 1931, when there was a loss, and this continued till the low point was reached in 1935. Since that date, there have been yearly gains and the Membership on December 31st, 1946, is the highest in the history of the Grand Lodge.

At the Quarterly Communication in June, the Board of Management of the Freemasons' Hospital reported a loss in operation of £1,375, and compared with a loss of £1,925 in the corresponding quarter, last year. At each quarterly meeting in 1947, the Board reported a loss in operation. There is a hospital fund exceeding £155,000.

At the Quarterly Meeting in December, M.W. Bro. R. A. Rowe was again chosen Grand Master. In thanking the Brethren he said that he realized more than ever the responsibility of the office and that no one could carry out the duties unless assisted by the Officers.

The review of correspondence was presented by R.W. Bro. Wm. Stewart, the Grand Secretary. The review of each Jurisdiction was prepared by the respective representatives. 30 Jurisdictions are reviewed, but Saskatchewan is not among them. In an introductory note, Brother Stewart states that Grand Lodges generally show a great increase in Membership. He also remarks on the unrest existing in almost every country in the world.

VIRGINIA

170th Annual Communication at Richmond, February 10th to 12th, 1948. Grand Master H. R. Stephenson. Lodges 325. Members 51,623. Gain 2,853. An emergent communication was held at Danville on December 14th, 1947, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of M.W. Brother Benjamin W. Beach, Grand Master in 1926. This distinguished Brother served on many Grand Lodge committees and in 1939 was appointed Grand Lecturer, a position which he held till 1946 when he retired on account of ill health.

All the officers attended the annual meeting and 11 Past Grand Masters were present. The Grand Master extended a welcome to them, stating that it was a pleasure to receive those who had served with distinction and who had earned the esteem of the Brethren. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and 37 responded. The Grand Master extended greetings and asked them to convey to their respective Jurisdictions the best wishes of the Grand Lodge of Virginia. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodge of Ohio, Indiana, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

In reporting on the Membership the Grand Secretary furnished a table of the Members for the last twenty years. The peak was reached in 1929 with a total of 48,812. From 1929 there was a decline and a low point was reached in 1939 with a total of 38,740. From 1939 there has been an increase each year and in 1947 with a Membership of 51,623 this Grand Lodge has more Members than ever before.

During the year ten children from the Masonic Home were given financial aid to continue their education. The expenditure amounted to \$6,151.

The Endowment Fund for the Masonic Home was increased by about \$60,000 during the year, bringing the total fund to about \$350,000.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges and also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He presented a cheque on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Virginia of \$3,431.

The review of correspondence is by Brother N. Hillman. In a foreword reference is made to the difference of opinion as to what are Landmarks. The problem of the "perfect youth" is referred to with a statement that the trend is towards a more liberal attitude. The Saskatchewan Proceedings are not reviewed, no doubt because they were not received in time to be included.

WASHINGTON

91st Annual Communication at Bellingham, June 15th and 16th, 1948. Grand Master S. E. Perry. Lodges 269. Members 57,249. Gain 2,766. All the officers attended and 17 Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of 42 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance, Saskatchewan being represented by M.W. Brother John M. Roberts. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of California, Ohio, Idaho, Oregon and Missouri. During the proceedings a reception was accorded to the Past Grand Masters. They were welcomed by the Deputy Grand Master who thanked them for their continued interest in the work of the Grand Lodge. The representatives of

Sister Jurisdictions were assembled and welcomed by the Grand Master who asked them to carry to their respective Jurisdictions the good wishes of the Grand Lodge of Washington.

The Grand Master reported having attended all District Meetings. He was pleased with conditions in the Lodges and stated that they were making a real effort to take their place in the community as a force for the betterment of American citizenship. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and found it interesting and instructive. He also made reference to the paper on Freemasonry and Communism read by the Grand Master of Wisconsin. At the meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association the Grand Master was pleased to learn that the original Lodge furniture of the Lodge at Alexandria of which George Washington was the first Master was being placed in the Memorial and kept intact.

Two special communications were held during the year, one to constitute a Lodge and the other to lay the corner stone of a Masonic Temple.

There is a Masonic Home Endowment Fund exceeding \$800,000, a substantial increase over the previous year. The cost of maintenance for the year was about \$130,000 and the revenue available including old age assistance cheques was about \$275,000. There are 152 residents in the Home.

The Centennial of the first Lodge chartered in Oregon territory of which the State of Washington was a part was celebrated at the Annual Meeting. The memory of Brother Pierre B. Cornwall who carried the charter granted by the Grand Lodge of Missouri to the Pacific coast was honoured by placing a granite stone with a bronze tablet in the park in the city of Bellingham.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother Loomis Baldry. In a foreword it is stated that in general Jurisdictions have liberalized the conditions covering the admission of physically handicapped candidates. It is also stated that the Negro question has not caused as much excitement as might have been expected. Gains in Membership are said to be slowing down and the recognition of South American and Mexican Grand Lodges is proceeding very slowly due to lack of knowledge and language differences. The Saskatchewan Proceedings are not among those reviewed.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Grand Master J. S. Battye. Lodges 229. Members 15,405. Gain 1,117. Quarterly Communications were held in August and November, 1947, and in February, 1948. The Annual Communication was held in May, 1948. At the quarterly Meeting in August the Grand Master said that the matter foremost in the minds of all was the plight in which the world finds itself after two world wars; such conflict had never before been experienced and there was dislocation everywhere; he expressed the opinion that only spiritual revival can save the world from complete disaster.

At the Quarterly Meeting in November the Grand Master reported that four Lodges had been constituted in the preceding three months. He also stated that the number of Members in good standing was greater than it had been in the history of the Grand Lodge. He expressed the opinion that sufficient attention was not being given

to new Members and spoke of the need of impressing them with the principles of the Craft.

Discussions took place on the Aims and Relationships of the Craft similar to those adopted by the Grand Lodge of England and it was decided to send a circular letter to every Member containing the principles.

At the Quarterly Meeting in February, 1948, it was reported that four Lodges had been constituted since the last meeting. In January, 1948, a Special Meeting of Masters and Wardens was held to discuss the Widows, Orphans and Aged Freemasons Fund. The fund was established in 1906 to afford relief to aged Masons and their widows and to assist in the education of the children of Masons requiring relief. To date £171,000 have been raised and £94,000 spent on relief. The capital of the fund is at present £77,000.

A special Communication was held in Perth on April 12th, 1948, for the purpose of celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the initiation into Masonry of M.W. Brother J. S. Battye, the Grand Master.

At the Annual Meeting in May, 1948, the Grand Master stated that it was the 12th over which he had the privilege to preside. He made reference to the meeting arranged in the previous month to mark the Golden Jubilee of his initiation and stated that he was very grateful for the many letters sent in by the Brethren. He reported ten Lodges constituted in the preceding three months making a total of twenty-eight for the year.

In speaking of Freemasonry the Grand Master said that it was built upon a belief in God, loyalty to the established Government, tolerance of one another's feelings and the practice of charity. He pointed out that none of these things can be found in the ideology of Communism. He also said that Masonry does not profess to be a religion; it is a philosophy of life which recognizes and reveres the value of religion.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother J. A. Klein. In a foreword it is stated that the reviews were suspended in 1941 but were resumed a year ago. Reference is made to the growth of Masonry in the British Commonwealth and in the United States and to the opinion of many Grand Masters that more time should be devoted to Masonic education in order to instruct new Members. Conditions in Europe are spoken of and it is pointed out that only in a few countries is Masonry possible. Negro Freemasonry is spoken of with the comment that the general opinion in the United States is that Prince Hall Masonry should be recognized as regular. Fifty-five Jurisdictions are reviewed but Saskatchewan is not among them, no doubt because the Proceedings did not arrive in time to be included.

WEST VIRGINIA

83rd Annual Communication held at Charleston, October 15th and 16th, 1947. Grand Master G. E. Griffin. Lodges 162. Members 36,993. Gain 2,095.

All the Officers attended and 12 Past Grand Masters were present. 152 Constituent Lodges were represented. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania and District of Columbia. The Representatives of 53 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance, Saskatchewan being represented by W. Bro. W. M. Downs. A welcome was extended by the Senior Grand Warden. An address

was delivered by M.W. Brother Richard A. Kern, Grand Master of Pennsylvania, in which he dealt with "Democracy" and said it was the outstanding achievement of man in forms of Government because it places the rights and interests of the individual first; all other forms of Government make the individual and his interests wholly subservient to the state.

The Grand Master, in his address, dealt with the question "What is Grand Lodge and what are its functions?" He answered the questions as follows: "The purposes of this Grand Lodge are to control and regulate the practice of Freemasonry throughout its jurisdiction, in accordance with the immemorial usages of this ancient and honourable craft; to advance the moral and social interest of its Membership; to foster good citizenship, honest industry and upright living; to cultivate the exercise of charity in its best and broadest sense; to assist the widows and orphans of its deceased Members; to stimulate friendship, harmony and brotherly love, and generally to promote in its own way, the happiness of mankind."

The Grand Master stated that Masonry was strong in the Jurisdiction. As to the Membership, he said that it was the highest in their history. He attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington, and reported on the various subjects there discussed, among them, Lodge attendance, physical qualifications and Negro Freemasonry. As to the latter subject, the address delivered was to the effect that the Negro should have Masonry if he wanted it.

The Grand Master referred at length to the George Washington Memorial and stated the amount contributed by West Virginia exceeded \$40,000, but in order to fulfil the quota, a sum exceeding \$19,000 was required. An effort is being made to fulfil the obligation.

On December 6th, 1946, a special Communication was held at Charleston for the purpose of celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the first Lodge in West Virginia, at Lewisburg. 5 other special Meetings were held for the purpose of Dedicating new Halls and laying Corner Stones.

The maintenance of the Masonic Home costs about \$50,000, with 59 residents in December, 1947. The Board of Governors reported that an addition to the Home was necessary, in order to take care of applicants. The Committee on Chartered Lodges referred to the fact that 40% of the Membership was in towns and cities and that there were 10 Lodges with from 400 to 600 Members, 7 with 600 to 1,000 and 2 with more than 1,000 Members. It was suggested that thought should be given to forming new Lodges in congested areas.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Henry Ahrens. In a foreword, reference is made to the growth in numbers everywhere. There is also a reference to Negro Prince Hall Masonry and surprise is expressed at the amount of discussion on the subject. The reviewer states that the problem is not new, because Prince Hall Lodges are established in most States and appear to be prosperous. The question involved is not Masonic legitimacy, but purely social and "unfortunately" this distinction will continue to exist for many years to come. The reviewer concludes his remarks with the question, "Why not let the Negro have his Masonry?" and answers the question by stating "it will do him good". The Saskatchewan Proceedings are very kindly reviewed with references to the attitude of the Grand Master in regard to resolutions in Lodges on political and governmental matters, not pertinent to Masonry. The Benevolent Fund and the work of the Committee on Masonic Education are also referred to.

WISCONSIN

104th Annual Communication at Milwaukee, June 8th, 1948. Lodges 305. Members 58,325. Gain 1,956. All the officers attended and thirteen Past Grand Masters were present. They were given a personal welcome by the Grand Master who thanked them for the assistance given him during the year. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota and Scotland. 297 Lodges were represented and the representatives of 33 Sister Jurisdictions were in attendance.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing during the year of three Past Grand masters, M.W. Brother Charles F. Lamb, M.W. Brother Clarence Hill and M.W. Brother Herbert N. Lafin. The Proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished Brothers.

The Constitution requires that all plans and methods of financing new Temples must be approved by the Grand Master. During the year five requests for approval were granted by the Grand Master and two denied. In his address the Grand Master expressed the opinion that great care should be taken in order to avoid the financial troubles during the depression of the thirties caused by the building program of the twenties.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and presented a paper on Communism. The resolution on the subject passed by the Conference and the question of adding it to the Declaration of Principles was referred to a special committee in the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin. The committee reported and recommended that the resolution be added to the Declaration of Principles. This resolution is as follows:

"Masonry abhors Communism as being repugnant to its conception of the dignity of the individual personality, destructive of the basic rights which are the divine heritage of all men and inimical to the fundamental Masonic tenet of faith in God."

As to the George Washington Memorial the Grand Master reported that Wisconsin had given \$24,000 towards its construction and ranked near the bottom in per capita donations. He advocated a special committee to raise an additional sum of \$50,000.

The Grand Master called attention to increased costs in operating the Masonic Home and said that the per capita tax would have to be increased. A small increase in the per capita was authorized.

A resolution was presented dealing with the length of time after a man has received his three degrees before he can petition either the York or Scottish Rite Bodies. A committee reported that, as the Code provided that Grand Lodge does not recognize any higher order in Masonry, beyond that of Master Mason, any consideration of the so-called higher degrees was barred.

The committee on Foreign Relations recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy, a body having exclusive Jurisdiction in Italy and conforming to the standards of recognition. The committee stated that the Grand Orient had already been recognized by fifteen Jurisdictions in the United States.

The review of correspondence is by M.W. Brother Robert O. Jaspersen. In a foreword it is stated that the agitation for the modification of the ancient law regarding physical qualifications is less pronounced. The reviewer suggests that this may be due to the fact that those Jurisdictions who have "let down the bars have begun

to see the error of their ways". Reference is made to the Negro problem "as a most disturbing subject". The action of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and the reaction in California is referred to at length. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1947 are very kindly dealt with. There is a special reference to the flag ceremony when the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes were both presented.

WYOMING

74th Annual Communication at Cheyenne, August 23rd, 1948. Grand Master J. R. Mitchell. Lodges 50. Members 10,480. Gain 398. A Special Communication was held at Cheyenne on January 16th, 1948, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of M.W. Brother James J. Jewett, Grand Master in 1914-15. There were also three Special Communications for the purpose of laying the corner stones of two churches and a hospital.

All the officers attended the annual meeting and twenty Past Grand Masters were present. The Governor of the State, Brother Lester C. Hunt, a Member of Wyoming Lodge No. 2, delivered an address of welcome. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Idaho, Colorado, Nebraska, District of Columbia, Montana, Utah, Oregon, South Dakota and Kansas. A reception was accorded the Past Grand Masters and a welcome extended to them by the Senior Grand Warden. Forty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master reported Masonry in Wyoming in a healthy condition; many of the Lodges held special meetings to complete their work; finances are in splendid shape and the increase in Membership was large but the Grand Master said that strength does not come from large Membership.

The Grand Master reported his attendance at the Conference of Western Canadian Jurisdictions at Banff. He enjoyed the meeting and stated that the program was well arranged, instructive and inspiring. He also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington. He visited all the Lodges in the State.

The Grand Secretary reported contributions to the Hospital Visitation Plan of the Masonic Service Association exceeding \$2,000. The Field Agent of the Association reported on the year's work in the Veterans' Hospital at Cheyenne and Sheridan. There are one hundred and fifty Masonic patients in the Veterans' Hospital at Cheyenne. These patients are seen daily and material comforts supplied to them.

M.W. Brother W. O. Wilson, Grand Master in 1921, passed away during the year. In addition to his services to Masonry he was a distinguished citizen of the State, having served as Attorney General.

The committee on correspondence reported that there are 102 foreign Grand Lodges and that the Grand Lodge of Wyoming recognizes only 37. It was also stated that the smallest number recognized by any Grand Lodge in United States is 27 by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin and that the largest number recognized is 85 by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. Massachusetts recognizes 54 and New York 56. The committee recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Orient of Italy and to the Grand Lodges of Sao Paulo, Ceara and Minas Gerais in Brazil. In referring to the printing of the reviews of foreign Jurisdictions in the Proceedings the committee stated

that for some time they had doubted the wisdom of the expense, being of the opinion that few Brethren read the reviews. They recommended that printing be discontinued. There is therefore no published review of the proceedings.

YORK GRAND LODGE OF MEXICO

88th Annual Communication at Puebla, March 25, 1948. Grand Master A. J. Blank. Lodges 10. Members 528. Loss 2.

All the Officers attended and 9 Lodges were represented. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and 30 responded. Saskatchewan was represented by M.W. Bro. H. M. Campbell, who was chosen Grand Master for 1949. The Grand Master asked Representatives to advise their respective Jurisdictions of their attendance, together with the main points of the Proceedings. Seven Past Grand Masters were present.

In his address the Grand Master made reference to the death of the Earl of Harewood, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. On his instructions, the Grand Secretary directed a letter to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England, expressing the sorrow of York Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master reported that owing to pressure of business, he found it impossible to carry out his intention of visiting all the Lodges. He had succeeded however, in visiting five of them. He reported some of the Lodges active but referred to two which are inactive and stated that the prospect of reviving them was remote but that meanwhile, he did not recommend the surrender of their Charters.

The Grand Lodge of Maryland, at its Annual Meeting in 1947 extended recognition to the York Grand Lodge. The Grand Master stated that the Grand Lodge was now recognized by all 49 Jurisdictions in the United States.

Intervisitation agreements have been arranged with the several Mexican Grand Lodges and harmonious relations appear now to prevail. The Grand Lodge of British Columbia has not recognized the York Grand Lodge and the Committee on Foreign Relations has again communicated with the Grand Lodge of British Columbia in the matter of reciprocal recognition.

M.W. Bro. H. M. Campbell is Grand Master for 1948-49.



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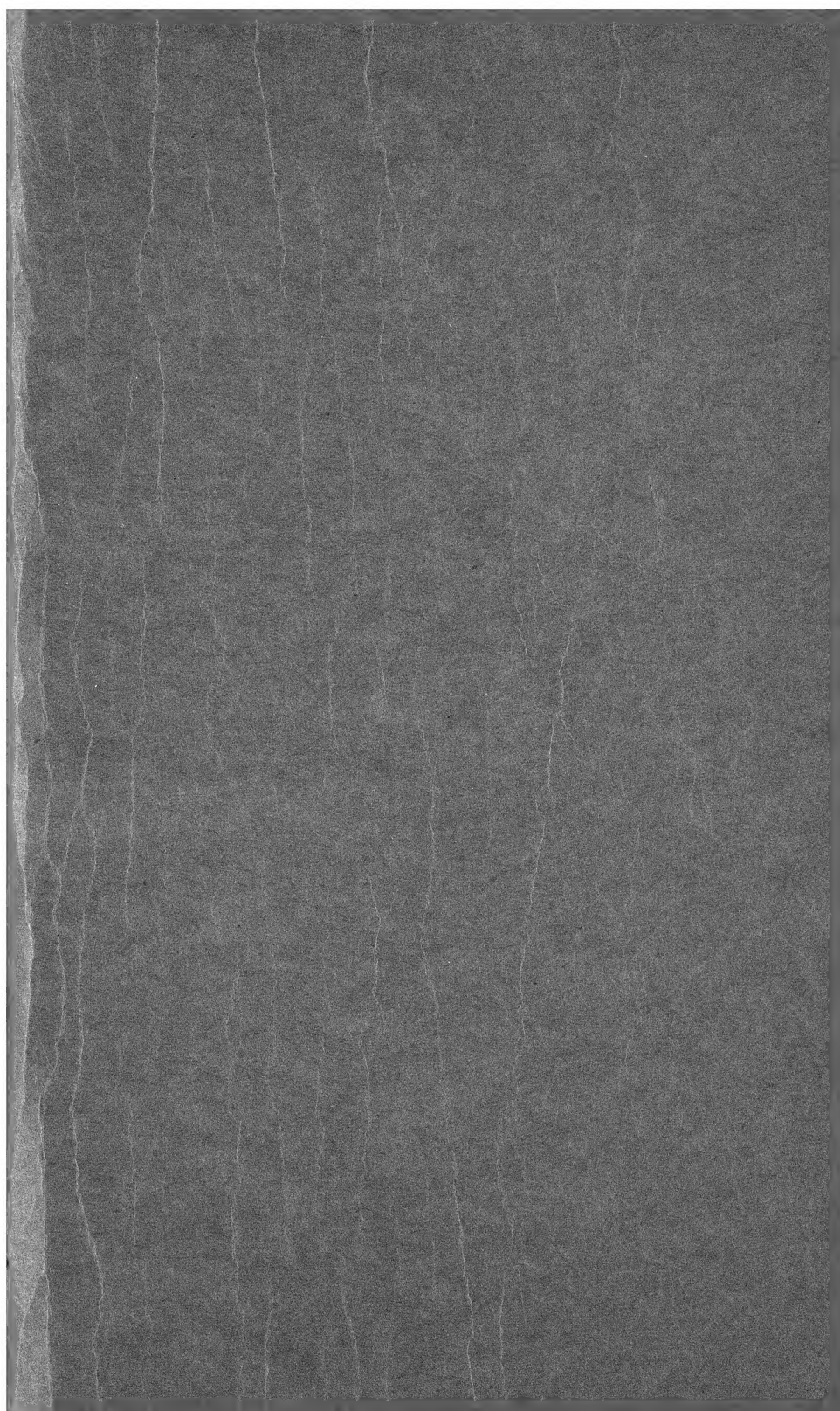
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R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary.....	Regina
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